

AGENDA

Monday, September 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers at the Tom Hornecker
Recreation Centre, 2nd Floor, 2122 – 18 Street

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER & ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

2. PRESENTATIONS:

- 2.1 Community Foundation of Lethbridge & Southwestern Alberta - E
- 2.2 Nanton Hub Radio - E

3. REPORTS:

3.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

- 3.1.1 Status Report – E
- 3.1.2 Capital Plan Status - E
- 3.1.3 Monthly Report – E

3.2 FINANCIAL:

- 3.2.1 Accounts Payable Reports for August 2026 - E

3.3 DEPARTMENT:

- 3.3.1 Corporate Services Manager - E
- 3.3.2 Operations Manager – E
- 3.3.3 Recreation Manager - E
- 3.3.4 Planning & Development Officer - E
- 3.3.5 Fire Chief - E
- 3.3.6 Peace Officer – E
- 3.3.7 Emergency Management – E
- 3.3.8 Legislative Services and Communications Coordinator – E

3.4 COUNCIL:

- 3.4.1 MAYOR JENNIFER HANDLEY
- 3.4.2 COUNCILLOR VICTOR CZOP
- 3.4.3 COUNCILLOR JENNIE MCMASTERS
- 3.4.4 COUNCILLOR ROGER MILLER
- 3.4.5 COUNCILLOR DAVE MITCHELL
- 3.4.6 COUNCILLOR ERIN SHIELDS
- 3.4.7 COUNCILLOR SHAUNA STRONG

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

4.1 ADOPTION:

- 4.1.1 September 8, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – E

4.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- 4.2.1 Information Brief Delegation Response Westview Storm Water Pond – E
4.2.2 Request for Decision Draft Community Bylaw # 1433/26 – E

5. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 5.1 Request for Decision Franchise Fees – E
5.2 Request for Decision Business Incentive Fire Policy – E
5.3 Information Brief Asset Management – E
5.4 Request for Decision Set Organizational Meeting – E

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

6.1 FOR ACTION:

- 6.1.1 Municipal District of Willow Creek Legacy of the Land – E

6.2 FOR INFORMATION:

- 6.2.1 Mayors and Reeves – Revised update from MLA Hunter and Alberta Municipalities Report – E
6.2.2 Alberta SouthWest Minutes of the Board of Directors August 5, 2026 and September Bulletin – E
6.2.3 Rhythms for Rowan House – E
6.2.4 Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta – E
6.2.5 Municipal District of Willow Creek Notice of Public Hearing – E
6.2.6 Oldman River Regional Services Commission June 4, 2026 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – E

7. CLOSED CONFIDENTIAL SESSION:

- 7.1 Information Brief Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System ATIA Section 19 Disclosure Harmful to Business Interests of a Third Party

8. ADJOURNMENT:



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Town of Nanton – Council Delegation Request Form

(Submit to: communications@nanton.ca by 12:00 PM the Wednesday prior to the requested delegation date)

DELEGATION INFORMATION

Full Name of Presenter / Organization Name:

Community Foundation of Lethbridge + South Western Alberta

Mailing Address:

50 - 1202 2nd Ave S., Lethbridge AB T

Phone Number:

403-328-5029

Email Address:

office@cf1sa.ca

PRESENTATION DETAILS

Requested Date to Appear Before Council:

Sept 21, 2026

Subject / Title of Presentation:

Celebrating 60 Years of the Community Foundation

Reason for Appearing Before Council:

(Please provide a brief summary of the purpose of your presentation)

We will be speaking about the 60th Anniversary of the Community Foundation, historical funding to Nanton and new opportunities for grants.

Specific Request of Council:

(Please indicate any actions you are requesting from Council)

For Information Only.



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Are You Making a Monetary Request?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please indicate the amount requested:

\$ _____

And describe how the funds would be used:

SUPPORTING MATERIALS

Will you be submitting any supporting documents, presentations, or other attachments?

☒ Yes ☐ No

All materials must be submitted to: communications@nanton.ca by 12:00 PM on the Wednesday prior to the requested delegation date.

Please list the type of attachments you will be submitting:

Power Point Presentation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Will there be more than one speaker?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how many total speakers: 2

Have you presented to Council before on this topic?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, when: _____

CONSENT AND SIGNATURE

By submitting this form, I acknowledge that all information provided is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge, and that I understand the requirements and deadlines for presenting to the Town of Nanton Council.

Signature: Tara Gilanders.

Date: Sept 10, 2026.



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DELEGATION INFORMATION

Full Name of Presenter / Organization Name:

David Gale / Amanda Bustard - The HUB - Nanton Radio

Mailing Address:

Box 1537, [REDACTED] Nanton, Alberta

Phone Number:

[REDACTED]

Email Address:

info@nantonradio.ca

PRESENTATION DETAILS

Requested Date to Appear Before Council:

Monday Sept. 21st, 2026

Subject / Title of Presentation:

The HUB - Nanton Radio Call to Action

Reason for Appearing Before Council:

(Please provide a brief summary of the purpose of your presentation)

To get full rockstar support for our fundraiser.
Requesting their participation.

Specific Request of Council:

(Please indicate any actions you are requesting from Council)

Dress up, get the make-up on, pick a crowd favourite song
and pretend to be rockstars with a kick butt performance.



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Are You Making a Monetary Request?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please indicate the amount requested:

\$ 600.00

And describe how the funds would be used:

To cover the cost of the Nanton Community Memorial Centre.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS

Will you be submitting any supporting documents, presentations, or other attachments?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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Please list the type of attachments you will be submitting:

A participation proposal / Promo Video?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Will there be more than one speaker?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, how many total speakers: 1

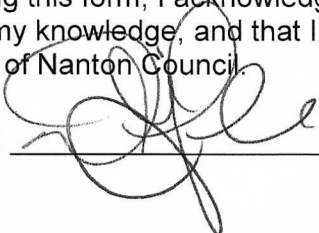
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Signature: 

Date: Sept. 16, 2026



NANTON HALLOWEEN AIRBAND BATTLE



THE INSTRUMENTS ARE REAL. THE MUSIC IS NOT.
Friday, October 30, 2026 | Nanton Memorial Community Centre

A COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER BUILT AROUND FUN, PARTICIPATION AND LOCAL PRIDE.

The Nanton Halloween Airband Battle invites businesses, families, organizations and residents to become rock stars for a few ridiculous minutes - all while raising money for two important local organizations. Funds raised will support the **Nanton Children's Society**, with proceeds also benefiting the **Nanton Community Broadcasting Association**, the organization behind **The HUB - Nanton Radio**.

THE AIRBAND CONCEPT

We'll provide the instruments and microphones - **but nothing is plugged in**. Teams perform their chosen song using costumes, choreography, stage presence and outrageous commitment. Musical ability is not required. In fact, it might ruin the whole thing.

The goal is not to make great music. The goal is to make great entertainment. This gives people an easy, funny and memorable way to be part of a community fundraiser without needing any actual musical talent.

WHO CAN FORM A BAND?

Businesses, coworkers, families, friends, sports teams, clubs, service organizations and community groups are all encouraged to take part. Pick a band name, choose a song and start planning your look.

This is a perfect team-building challenge for workplaces, a fun excuse for friends to get ridiculous together, and a great way for local groups to show some community spirit. The more creative the costumes and performance, the more entertaining the night becomes.

DON'T WANT TO PERFORM?

We need you too. Not everyone wants to be on stage, and that's part of what makes this event work. We need a **screaming audience** ready to cheer, laugh, clap, dance and support their favourite band like they're front row at a sold-out concert.

If you're not joining a band, join the party. Bring your friends, bring your voice and help create the kind of crowd that makes every performer feel like a rock star.

DOOR-TO-DOOR COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN

In the weeks leading up to the event, volunteers will go door-to-door throughout Nanton to help spread the word. Residents will be invited to form a band, attend the event, volunteer or make a donation.

The campaign gives people a personal invitation to be part of the fundraiser and helps local businesses, organizations and community groups rally teams and supporters before the big night.

HOW TO GET STARTED

1. Build your band
2. Pick a song
3. Plan the look
4. Bring your crowd
5. Take the stage and sell it!



PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE YOUR VOTE IS

After the performances, voting buckets bearing each band's name will be placed around the venue. Audience members vote by dropping money into the bucket of the band they want to support. **Your donation becomes your vote.**

This turns the fundraiser into an interactive competition. People aren't just watching the show - they're helping decide the crowd favourite while raising money at the same time. Every dollar makes the competition more exciting and supports the fundraiser.

WHY THESE TWO ORGANIZATIONS?

THE HUB - NANTON RADIO

The Nanton Community Broadcasting Association is a local non-profit community broadcaster established in 2021. It promotes local information, entertainment, events, businesses and talent through volunteer-supported programming. The HUB gives Nanton a platform for local stories, local voices, music, arts and community connection.

NANTON CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The Nanton Children's Society is a local organization focused on supporting children and families and is connected to children-focused community initiatives. Supporting the Society through this fundraiser connects a fun Halloween event with meaningful local impact for children and families.

MORE WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Silent Auction: Donate an item, service or experience.

Sponsorship: Help cover event costs or contribute directly.

Volunteer: Help recruit teams, sell tickets, set up or support the event.

Bring the Crowd: Invite employees, customers, friends and family.

Every contribution - whether financial, promotional or hands-on - helps make the event stronger and expands its impact in the community.

FORM A BAND. PICK A SONG. DRESS UP. TAKE THE STAGE.
OR JOIN THE CROWD AND SCREAM FOR YOUR FAVOURITE BAND.

TO DONATE, PERFORM, SPONSOR A BAND OR BUY A TICKET FOR A COMMUNITY MEMBER:

Contact Dave | info@nantonradio.ca | Call / Text 403-589-8269

FUN FOR THE COMMUNITY. SUPPORT FOR LOCAL CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.

Completed = C Under Review = UR In Progress = IP No Further Action = NFA On Hold - HOLD

CAO = Chief Administrative Officer
DO = Development Officer

CS = Corporate Services
LS = Legislative Services

OP = Operations Manager
OTHER = Staff/Contractor/etc.

COMMITTEES: **GOV** = Governance **FIN** = Finance **SERV** = Services **REC** = Recreation & Culture
ECD = Economic & Community Develop **CW** = Committee of the Whole

Items will move to "DEPARTMENT" or "COMMITTEE" after first reporting to Council.

COUNCIL MEETING

Res #	Description	Notes	Status	FWD
Regular Meeting September 8, 2026				
207-26/09/08	Info Brief Westview Storm Pong – stock w/ fish	September 21 mtg	C	CAO

COUNCIL

Description		Notes	Status	FWD
Council Recommendations				
12-25/01/20	THRC Conceptual Plan		HOLD	CAO
16-25/01/20	ASP for Northwest Areas of Town – ORRSC	<i>Circulation ongoing</i>	IP	DO/CAO
85-25/04/21	Tribute wall design up to \$5,000	<i>Investigation ongoing for funding.</i>	IP	LS
124-25/06/02	Bring forward draft bylaws and draft local improvement plans for the proposed Nanton industrial lands roads improvements to 18th Avenue and 19th Avenue.	<i>Grant applications prepared for project</i>	UR	CAO/CS/OP/LS
158-25/08/11	Approved 60% of \$1,083,068 to start phase 1	<i>Grant applications prepared for project</i>	UR	CS
96-26/04/06	Reissue RFP for Gateway Signs	<i>Invitational to be issued in the fall 26</i>	UR	CAO/CS
132-26/05/04	RFP Planning Safety Codes	<i>Issued, closes September 22, 2026</i>	IP	CAO/DO
169-26/06/15	Fire Business Recruitment Plan	<i>Options presented on an upcoming agenda for discussion</i>	IP	CAO/FIRE
178-26/07/13	Tax Penalty Bylaw 1289	<i>Review taken for information</i>	C	CS

DEPARTMENTS

Res #	Description	Notes	ST	fw
30-25/02/03	RFD Firefighter recruitment options	Sep 21 mtg	C	CS/FD
187-25/10/05	Update and resubmit previous application to the Alberta Community Partnership program with the Municipal District of Willow Creek for the Spring Line raw water source, license and infrastructure.	Project underway	IP	CAO/OP
12 – 25/01/20	Proceed with the conceptual planning for the second phase of the Tom Hornecker Recreation Centre civic renovation, prioritizing the installation of an accessibility elevator.	Accessibility investigations ongoing.	HOLD	CAO/CS



86 – 26/03/16	Moved to proceed with the NRED project and remove the additional portion from the budget and remain with the approved project scope at 50% funded within the 2027 budget.	Project deferred until 2027. Infrastructure portion removed.	IP	CAO/DO
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CAPITAL PLAN STATUS

Meeting: September 21, 2026
Agenda Item: 3.1.2

*Deferred in green text
2026 Items Only*

Roadway Infrastructure			Lead: Public Works Supervisor
Roadway Rehab	Patching & repairs	COMPLETED	75,000
Sidewalk replacement program	Sidewalk repair & replacement	COMPLETED	50,000
Roadways	29 th Ave	COMPLETED	50,000
Notes: Roadway and sidewalk tender closed, proponents selected.			
Utility Infrastructure			Lead: Manager of Operations
20 th Street and 28 th Ave	Service Line Connection	COMPLETED	175,000
Wastewater mains	Re-lining	COMPLETED	100,000
Valve & hydrant replacement	Hydrant, valves	ONGOING	75,000
Equipment	Wastewater pump and mixer	COMPLETED	100,000
Manholes	Campground manhole and metering	COMPLETED	50,000
Stormwater management	Westview storm pond dredging	COMPLETED Actual \$321,947.22	350,000
Regional Waterline	Construction/ Design	IN PROGRESS	500,000
Notes:			
Wastewater pump and mixers received July 13.			
Liner installation work completed May 19-20 and May 26-27.			
Meter vault (manhole) installed April 30.			
While the WWTP dewatering project is not complete yet, it was a 2025 budgeted project and funded under that year, final borrowing excepted. Dewatering and dehydrating units installed and operational, Utilities staff working with contractor and MPE to optimize the system. Some work still needed to be finished before the project is complete.			
Parks & Trails			Lead: Recreation Manager
Deferred 2025 project	Pocket park/rain garden at Mile 56 Park:	Ongoing	56,500
Notes:			
Funded under 2025 with federal grant and \$56,500 from Public Realm reserve. Construction has commenced. Deficiencies being addressed.			
Buildings			Lead: Various



THRC - arena	Outdoor storage shed COMPLETED	50,000
Town Shop	PW Cold Storage- COMPLETED	125,000
Yard Waste Area	Fire Dept. fenced storage/ practice area COMPLETED	30,000

Notes:

2025 transfer switch awaiting final completion.

Major amendments are anticipated for Buildings capital over 2026.

Pricing received for yard waste area fencing – below budget. COMPLETED

PW Cold Shed – Electrical, insulation and concrete floor are complete. Plywood firewall will be completed in September.

Vehicles & Equipment

Lead: Various

Equipment replacement under \$75 K	Skid steer COMPLETED	75,000
Bylaw Enforcement	Body Cam system COMPLETED	9,000
Vehicle Replacement	Parks & Utilities Pickup COMPLETED: \$92,500 actual	100,000
Fire Equipment	Reserve contribution for new engine	75,000

Notes:

New skid steer purchased and received.

Chief Dozeman is working on information in regards to projects/equipment (replacement engine, etc.)

Land Development

Administration expects discussions about the Town industrial lands roads or Westview phases to continue with Council over the course of 2026.

*Discussions about priorities for housing and development infrastructure will continue (part of capital budgeting).
Investigations on funding solutions ongoing.*

Public Realm & Development

Gateway signage - \$30,000 figure placed in the capital budget (deferred to 2027).

Pedestrian Crosswalk (24th Street and HWY 2 North) - \$10,000 – Changed location to 28 Street (Flying J) Will be completed in September/October.



Chief Administrative Officer

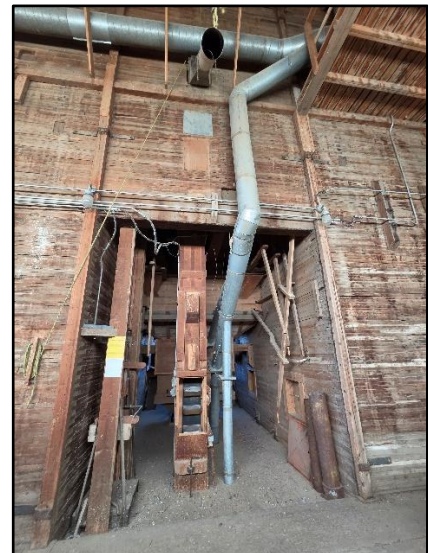
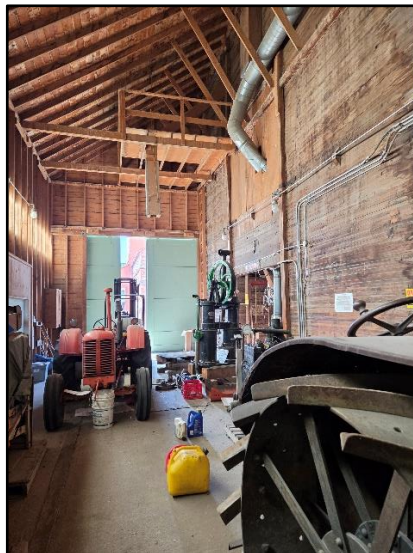
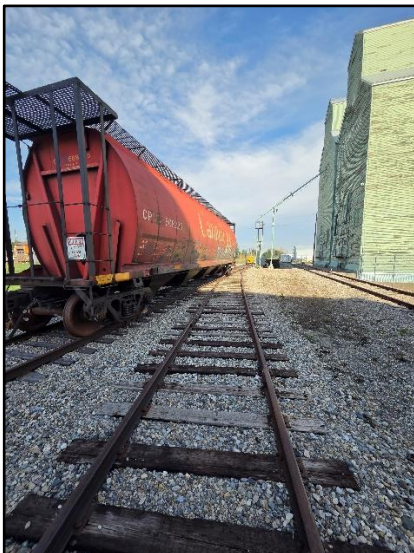
Highlights (June/July/August)

- Foothills Municipal Supper meeting (Foothills County, Okotoks, High River, Nanton, Black Diamond, Longview)
- June 24, 2026 – Nanton Quality of Life Foundation Celebration.
- July 3, 2026 – Attended Atco Energy Spruce Meadows municipal event.
- July 17, 2026 – Photo for Memorial Crosswalk.
- August 26, 2026 – Staff BBQ.
- August 27, 2027- Grain elevator planning meeting & tour.
- September 10, 2026 – Regional Economic Committee meeting (High River, Okotoks, Foothills County) discussed projects, regional licensing, tourism, etc.
- September 14, 2026 – Minister Wright's clinic tour and meeting with committee members.



Current projects

- GrantMatch and Town staff are working on finalization of grant applications for fall submission for various projects (Town and community projects).
- Met with RCMP, MD of Willow Creek & MD of Ranchlands to discuss the Nanton detachment. Discussions ongoing.
- Medical Clinic meeting and update, Minister Wright stopped by the clinic for a tour and update on current project status, road blocks, etc.
- Climate Cohort information session in regards to community mitigation projects / stormwater/ heat mitigation/ etc. (MCCAC). Application submitted for Cohort, and the Town has been accepted.
- Request for Proposal (RFP) posted on Alberta Purchasing Connections (APC) closes September 22, for the Town of Nanton Safety Code Administration & Service.
- August 20, 2026- Western Communities Foundation Infrastructure Grant webinar.
- Submitted annual safety codes internal audit reports.
- Continuing to work with community groups on recreation opportunities/enhancements, project locations, and grant funding solutions. (Nanton's Children's Society, Grain Elevators tour)



Personnel and Professional Development

- Took part in Regional Advisory Council webinar – Health [Regional Advisory Councils – Health | Alberta.ca](#)
- GOA – training webinar on August 12, 2026 (building a strong team & effective relationships – board development program) This is a government program that is for community groups, not for profits and other organizations (anyone who is involved in meetings, partnering with organizations, risk management, etc). [Non-profit learning webinars | Alberta.ca](#)
- GOA – grant writing training, August 26, 2026. Working on creating effective problem statements, writing for funders solution requirements, clear goals, organization alignment, objectives that are realistic, achievable and measurable, with clear timelines and focus.

Information

Alberta has moved to an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) system for residential recycling. The basic change is that companies that put packaging, paper and other designated products on the Alberta market are now responsible for the cost of collecting, sorting, processing and recycling those materials, rather than municipalities and taxpayers carrying the full cost. Alberta's EPR system began rolling out April 1, 2025. Phase 2 begins October 1, 2026 with additional materials that are able to be recycled. Currently the Town has a contract with T&T and they will continue to be the recycling provider for the curbside pick-up.

For municipalities that already had recycling programs, this does not mean they have to shut them down or start over. In fact, those municipalities are in the first phase of the program. Producers are required to provide the recycling service to the municipality, and the collection method is intended to remain consistent with what the municipality was providing when the regulation came into effect, for example, curbside collection stays curbside. This is the case for Nanton. There is no change to service, the program, or any scheduling at this point.

The intention is to reduce the amount municipalities, and ultimately property taxpayers, have to spend on residential recycling (yard waste, tipping fees, etc. are not included). The province describes the goal explicitly as shifting the physical and financial burden from local governments to producers. This information is just provided as a question came into Administration in regards to the program. Further information will be provided during budget discussions.

The following reports are enclosed:

3.2 FINANCIAL:

- 3.2.1 Accounts Payable Reports previous month end

3.3 DEPARTMENT:

- 3.3.1 Corporate Services Manager
- 3.3.2 Operations Manager
- 3.2.3 Recreation Manager
- 3.3.3 Planning & Development Officer
- 3.3.4 Fire Chief
- 3.3.5 Peace Officer

Respectfully submitted,
Tara Vandervalk, Chief Administrative Officer

Town of Nanton

Vendor Cheque Register Report

Range: August 1 - August 31, 2026

Sorted by: Cheque date



Cheque No.	Vendor	Cheque Date	Amount	Cheque Details
EFT0000000007231	Aplin and Martin	8/10/2026	\$35,348.03	Regional waterline consulting
EFT0000000007232	Associated Engineering AB Ltd.	8/10/2026	\$4,025.72	VIC Rain Garden engineering
EFT0000000007233	Big Hill Services	8/10/2026	\$3,537.56	Arena ice supplies
EFT0000000007234	Canadian Linen & Uniform	8/10/2026	\$149.56	Office & Library mat cleaning services
EFT0000000007235	Canoe Procurement Group of Canada	8/10/2026	\$2,140.89	Miscellaneous supplies
EFT0000000007236	Cattlemens Corner	8/10/2026	\$28.55	Miscellaneous supplies
EFT0000000007237	ClearTech Industries Inc	8/10/2026	\$7,176.86	Water plant chemicals
EFT0000000007238	Crossroad Energy Solutions Inc	8/10/2026	\$1,958.97	Electrical services
EFT0000000007239	CUPE	8/10/2026	\$1,990.92	Union dues
EFT0000000007240	Enfield, Tracy	8/10/2026	\$915.00	Office & Council mtg room cleaning
EFT0000000007242	GM Mechanical Ltd	8/10/2026	\$1,310.76	Quarterly HVAC maintenance
EFT0000000007243	Hifab Holdings Ltd	8/10/2026	\$776.99	Courier fees
EFT0000000007244	iA Financial Group	8/10/2026	\$88.08	Employee benefits
EFT0000000007245	Joe Johnson Equipment	8/10/2026	\$2,449.71	Street sweeper return fees
EFT0000000007246	Klearwater Equipment	8/10/2026	\$18,135.18	Wastewater plant chemicals
EFT0000000007247	Kortech Calcium Services Ltd.	8/10/2026	\$17,879.87	Dust control services
EFT0000000007248	LAPP Corporation c/o Alberta Pension	8/10/2026	\$12,509.24	Employee pension
EFT0000000007249	MD of Willow Creek	8/10/2026	\$821.00	Southern AB Summer Games
EFT0000000007250	MPE Engineering Ltd	8/10/2026	\$9,846.05	De-watering project engineering
EFT0000000007251	Nanton Auto Parts Ltd.	8/10/2026	\$221.09	Miscellaneous supplies
EFT0000000007252	Nanton Home Hardware Building	8/10/2026	\$6,369.40	PW Storage building updates (Capital)
EFT0000000007253	NL Smith & Sons Const Ltd	8/10/2026	\$5,734.78	Dust control services
EFT0000000007254	Pinnacle Aquatic Group	8/10/2026	\$4,587.48	Pool chemical supplies
EFT0000000007255	Purolator Inc.	8/10/2026	\$112.76	Courier fees

EFT0000000007256	Royal Life Saving Society Canada	8/10/2026	\$35.73	Lifeguard training supplies
EFT0000000007257	Super Save Disposal (AB) Ltd	8/10/2026	\$273.93	Waste management fees
EFT0000000007258	Superior Safety Codes	8/10/2026	\$2,222.55	Safety code fees
EFT0000000007259	T & T Disposal Services	8/10/2026	\$13,008.05	Waste management fees
EFT0000000007260	Tractorland (High River)	8/10/2026	\$272.78	Mower parts & supplies
EFT0000000007261	Trinus Technologies Inc	8/10/2026	\$8,674.87	IT Services
EFT0000000007262	UFA Co-operative Ltd	8/10/2026	\$6,870.90	Fuel
020785	Bender Custom Concrete Inc.	8/11/2026	\$27,664.27	PW Storage building updates (Capital)
020786	Alberta Flag Shop 773150AB LTD	8/25/2026	\$956.24	Flags
020787	Ashbrook Plumbing & Heating	8/25/2026	\$14,511.00	PW Storage building updates (Capital)
020789	Crocus Hill Consulting & Creations	8/25/2026	\$79.50	Fire department supplies
020790	Kowality Contracting	8/25/2026	\$4,200.00	Overhead shop door supply & install
020792	Peddie Roofing & Waterproofing	8/25/2026	\$22,207.08	Library and Office roof repair & maint.
020794	Radarscan Canada Inc	8/25/2026	\$2,054.64	Cemetery ground scan
020795	Ramtech Environmental Products	8/25/2026	\$6,838.76	WWTP mesh filter
020796	Sandberg Welding Ltd	8/25/2026	\$126.00	Welding services
020798	Spraytek Insulation Ltd.	8/25/2026	\$49,459.20	PW Storage building updates (Capital)
020799	Timbercraft Canada	8/25/2026	\$480.06	FCSS office light replacement
020800	Watershed Exteriors	8/25/2026	\$1,743.00	PW Storage building updates (Capital)
020801	Willow Ridge Electric Inc	8/25/2026	\$1,514.05	Electrical services
EFT0000000007263	Canoe Procurement Group of Canada	8/25/2026	\$83.77	Miscellaneous supplies
EFT0000000007264	CARO Analytical Services	8/25/2026	\$320.57	Water testing
EFT0000000007265	Coyote Courier Ltd	8/25/2026	\$2,259.08	Courier fees
EFT0000000007266	Crossroad Energy Solutions Inc	8/25/2026	\$12,246.49	PW Storage building updates (Capital)
EFT0000000007267	Dump Gump	8/25/2026	\$3,711.00	Yard waste bin services
EFT0000000007268	EAP Construction Ltd	8/25/2026	\$62,259.75	Community Centre façade (capital)
EFT0000000007269	First Call Monuments	8/25/2026	\$651.00	Cemetery plaques
EFT0000000007270	Foothills Regional Services Comm.	8/25/2026	\$11,274.00	Landfill fees (sludge)
			\$2,972.00	Landfill fees (solid waste)
EFT0000000007271	Gregg Distributors Company Ltd	8/25/2026	\$596.61	Miscellaneous supplies
EFT0000000007272	Hifab Holdings Ltd	8/25/2026	\$866.00	Courier fees
EFT0000000007273	iA Financial Group	8/25/2026	\$88.08	Employee benefits
EFT0000000007274	Klearwater Equipment	8/25/2026	\$3,274.74	Wastewater plant chemicals

EFT0000000007275	LAPP Corporation c/o Alberta Pension	8/25/2026	\$6,552.54	Employee benefits
EFT0000000007277	Nanton Auto Parts Ltd.	8/25/2026	\$44.47	Miscellaneous supplies
EFT0000000007278	Nanton Home Hardware Building	8/25/2026	\$3,797.75	Miscellaneous supplies
EFT0000000007279	Oldman River Regional Services	8/25/2026	\$2,318.61	Appeal board fees
EFT0000000007280	Orkin Canada Corporation	8/25/2026	\$257.07	Pest control
EFT0000000007281	Pinnacle Aquatic Group	8/25/2026	\$2,690.64	Pool chemical supplies
EFT0000000007282	RecordXpress StorageVault Canada	8/25/2026	\$67.21	Office paper shredding services
EFT0000000007283	Shawne Excavating	8/25/2026	\$6,079.67	Waterline repairs
EFT0000000007285	Trinus Technologies Inc	8/25/2026	\$1,847.59	WiFi equipment

Total cheques: 65

\$425,565.70



MONTHLY REPORT

Meeting: September 21, 2026
Agenda Item: 3.3.1

Clayton Gillespie, Corporate Services Manager

Report Period: June 15 to September 16, 2026

ACTIVITIES:

June 30 tax deadline passed – we've now collected 96% of the annual levy with \$195,071 still outstanding.

July/August utility billing completed. Usage was up in the summer as is usually the case and in terms of water produced versus water billed for, we are currently at 57% for the year. This is a bit better than last year.

Review and exploration of ERP vendor options.

Nanton Health Centre Committee meeting – Building condition assessment completed and a meeting with Minister Wright at health clinic in Nanton.

2027 insurance renewal applications completed – waiting on renewal docs and pricing now for 2027.

Renewed one year agreement with T&T disposal for curbside collection completed – potential changes coming to the pickup day.

Recruitment efforts for a new Assistant Utility operator underway – application deadline closes September 18 and then we will review candidates and hopefully have someone in place by the end of October.

COPTER notices sent out.

Grant application submitted on behalf of the Kosy Korner for LED lighting updates.

PROGRESS ON MAJOR PROJECTS & PROGRAMS:

Community Centre energy efficiency upgrades completed – project finished slightly over budget but well under the original budget.

TRAINING/EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS ATTENDED:

UPCOMING EVENTS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Will be attending a human resources (Western Cities HR) conference in Edmonton October 8-10, 2026

Prepared by: Clayton Gillespie, Corporate Services Manager

Date: September 16, 2026



MONTHLY REPORT

Meeting: September 21, 2026
Agenda Item: 3.3.2

Operations Department

Report Period: (June, July, August 2026)

ACTIVITIES:

- **WASTEWATER OPERATIONS**

- 105468 m³ of treated effluent was released to Mosquito Creek
- Dewatering/dehydrating project is nearly complete. Dewatering unit is working properly, sludge concentration within the WWTP has dropped to within normal operating range. This has allowed the WWTP the ability to increase its capacity so backups are much less likely to occur during rain events where additional influent is observed.
- Dehydration unit requires higher gas pressure to operate properly, currently waiting for contractor and Atco Gas to build and install the appropriate gas regulators to accommodate this. Anticipated completion will be either late September or early October.
- Raised sewer manhole at Highway 2 SB and 19th Street, as this was a location identified in the RH Borden report as a consistent source of surface water infiltration during rain events.
- Maintenance repairs were completed on both makeup air units in the WWTP, they are now functioning normally

- **WATER OPERATIONS**

- 93163 m³ of treated water was sent to the Town's distribution system
- Replaced four malfunctioning water main isolation valves along 16th Street
- Decommissioned and abandoned an unused leaking water service line on 26th Ave
- Continued topping up the raw water reservoir as necessary. The Mosquito Creek diversion is scheduled to close September 30.

- **ROADS**

- SA Blacktop Ltd. pavement patching was completed in June 2026.
- Fixing potholes in various areas throughout town.
- Grading gravel roads
- Completed sweeping roads June 2026
- Raised manholes on Hwy 2 SB at 23 street and 24 street.
- Completed painting crosswalks, curbs and handicap spots throughout Town.
- Volker Stevin completed painting new lines on 28 street by the Flying J.

- **SIDEWALKS/PATHWAYS**

- Completed concrete on 28 Ave and 20 street repaired driveways.
- Completed installing access ramps at 24 Ave (25Street & 26Street), 22 Ave (23 street & 22 street)
- Completed entire block of sidewalk removal and replacement and landscaping on 19 street (northside) from 24 Ave to 23 Ave.
- Completed removal and replacement of sidewalk at Credit Union and Masonic Hall, from alley to corner of 21 Street.

- **MISCELLANEOUS**

- Clean up shop, vehicles and equipment.
- Equipment and Truck maintenance.
- Repair signage in various locations.
- Began cleaning out cold shed, clearing contents and removing gravel to prepare for concrete. Concrete was poured in July and electrical was completed at the beginning of August. Spray foam insulation was completed in August. Plywood installation will be completed in September.
- Add gravel and millings to north and south side of swale at Lions Grove parking lot as ground has sunk on either side.
- Install new sign at south gateway sign and created new garden bed
- Installed sod at areas on 28 Ave and 20 street that had the waterline replaced.
- Set up barricades and tape for parade route
- Removed soil at south entrance on North side to VIC to prepare for concrete curb work.

- **CEMETERY**

- Mark plots for headstones and in Block B to prepare for Radar Scan
- 3 Inurnments
- 2 Columbarium
- Had crosses built to place on unknown graves in Block B
- Radar scan completed on Block B crosses placed in unknown graves

- **YARD WASTE AREA**

- Rolled compost pile and separated composted soil in separate pile.
- Load tree branches into bin.
- Purchased a soil sifting bucket and proceeded to sift soil dropped off at the yard waste area.
- Sort through soil piles for topsoil to be sifted and clay to be used to level out area.

- **STORMWATER**

- Built new storm drain grate for better drainage at Hwy 2 SB / 20 street.
- Cleaned storm drains

TRAINING/EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS ATTENDED:

- **Bucket Truck and Fall Protection Courses (All Staff)**

PROGRESS ON MAJOR PROJECTS & PROGRAMS:

Operating/Capital Project	Objective	Approach	Measure	Progress YTD
4. Pavement Patching	Request for Quote	Quotes	RFQ	Completed July 2026
5. Sidewalk	Request for Quote	Quotes	RFQ	Completed driveway repairs on 29 Ave
6. Sweeping	Clean streets	Quotes	RFQ	Completed June 026
7. Dust Abatement	Apply dust abatement	Quotes	RFQ	Applied in June and a second application on 19 Ave in July
8. Skid steer	Purchase – New	Quotes	RFQ	Purchased and Received
9. Cold Shed Renovation	Request for Quote	Quotes	RFQ	Concrete installed in July, spray foam insulation applied in August and plywood to be installed in September.



MONTHLY REPORT

Meeting: September 21, 2026
Item: 3.3.3

Jordan Glas, Manager of Parks and Recreation

Report Period: June 1- August 31, 2026

THRC – Ongoing Activities and Facility Updates

The THRC continues to remain active with a variety of community, school, and recreational activities. School-related activities have continued throughout the season, with Roller Hockey seeing a particularly strong turnout and positive participation.

We were also pleased to welcome Grad 2026 back to the facility. It was great to see the facility once again being used to celebrate such an important milestone in our community. Congratulations to all of the 2026 graduates on their accomplishments and best wishes as they move on to their next chapter.

Concession

The concession contract for the 2026/27 season has been successfully filled. We are very excited to welcome the new concession operators and look forward to working with them throughout the upcoming season. Having a concession operating at the THRC provides an additional service to facility users and helps improve the overall experience for participants, families, and spectators. They will be open for the beginning of October.

THRC Staff Area and Facility Improvements

Several improvements to the THRC staff and operational areas have now been completed. These projects were focused on improving staff safety, accessibility, organization, and the protection of Town equipment.

Back Compound Fencing

The back compound fencing has been completed and has already made a significant difference for staff. The enclosed area provides a safer and more controlled workspace for employees and equipment. Staff have reported feeling much safer, and since the fencing was installed, we have had **zero issues involving incidents with the public in this area.**

This improvement has provided both a physical security benefit and greater peace of mind for staff while working around the facility.

Olympia Door Expansion

The Olympia entrance has been expanded by approximately 2 feet in width to improve access for the Olympia and other equipment.

An engineered steel frame was attached to the existing building structure to accommodate the larger garage door. Previously, there was only approximately 4 inches of clearance on either side of the

Olympia, making equipment movement difficult and increasing the risk of damage to both the equipment and the building.

The additional clearance has already proven to be a valuable improvement. Equipment can now be moved in and out more safely and efficiently, reducing the potential for damage and making day-to-day operations easier for staff.

Equipment Storage Shed

The storage shed added in the spring has now been fully completed. Improvements included insulation, plywood interior finishing, painting, electrical service, and exhaust fans.

The shed has already proven to be a very worthwhile investment. It has improved the organization and accessibility of tools and equipment while reducing the amount of time staff spend locating and moving equipment. The improved organization has already resulted in noticeable time savings and increased efficiency in our daily operations.

Parks

Parks staff continue with ongoing mowing, landscaping, maintenance, and general upkeep throughout the Town's parks and green spaces.

Centennial Park Picnic Tables

We completed a reconstruction and refurbishment project on the picnic tables at Centennial Park. The frames were painted and the existing wood components were replaced with Trex material.

This upgrade should significantly extend the lifespan of the picnic tables while reducing future maintenance requirements. The tables have also received a fresh, updated appearance and are looking fantastic.

Ball Diamonds

The **NMB and JT Foster ball diamonds** both had a very successful season. The facilities were well used throughout the summer, supporting tournaments, regular games, community events, and other activities.

The following tournaments and events were held at the ball diamonds:

- **June 5–7:** Fireman's Tournament
- **June 12–14:** NMB Tournament
- **June 21:** Ball Tournament

The Parks and Recreation Department also assisted the Boosters with their setup and with the starting and finishing areas at the ball diamonds for the Nanton Days Parade.

Car Shows

The Town's parks and recreation facilities also supported several automotive events throughout the summer:

- **June 20:** Chinook Country Cruisers
- **July 18:** AMCA Car Show

These events continue to provide opportunities for residents and visitors to gather in Town and make use of our recreational spaces.

Disc Golf

The first **Boomers Hill Disc Golf Tournament** was held this summer and received a great turnout. The event went very well and was a positive addition to the Town's recreational programming.

The strong participation is encouraging as we continue to look at ways to promote and expand the use of our recreational amenities.

Tree Planting

A total of **26 trees were planted along the boulevards of 18th and 19th Streets**. Additional trees were also planted in Lions Park.

These plantings will help improve the appearance of these areas while contributing to the long-term enhancement of the Town's green spaces and urban tree canopy.

Mile 56 Rain Garden

Work on the **Mile 56 Rain Garden** remains ongoing. We are taking the necessary time to ensure the project is completed properly and that the drainage components function as intended.

Additional improvements will include the installation of a **curb and swale**, as well as fencing that matches the fencing used in other Town parks. These additions will improve the overall appearance of the area while also helping direct and manage water runoff.

The fencing will also provide a clearer visual separation between the road and the landscaped area, helping improve awareness of the road edge.

The goal is to ensure the completed rain garden not only functions properly from a drainage perspective but also fits well aesthetically into the surrounding park area.

Machine Maintenance

As we transition toward the winter season, routine maintenance and servicing of Parks and Recreation machinery will be completed.

This work is important to ensure equipment is safe, reliable, and ready for the upcoming winter workload. Completing preventative maintenance before the equipment is required helps reduce unexpected downtime and costly repairs during the busy season.

Nanton Pool – Usage Summary

August was a successful month at the Nanton Pool when weather conditions permitted. Unfortunately, approximately a week and a half of poor weather, particularly from **August 8–16**, resulted in significantly lower attendance during that period. Despite the weather challenges, swimming lessons continued through August, with the final lesson taking place on **August 21**.

The **Marlins and Otters** both concluded their seasons on **August 13**. Once their regular practice times became available, those times were repurposed for additional public programming, including increased opportunities for **Open Swim and Lane Swim**. Lane Swim and Aquafit continued to prove popular with the community, demonstrating that there is strong interest in structured aquatic programming in addition to traditional open swim opportunities.

The pool also accommodated several private rentals throughout August, providing additional opportunities for community groups and families to utilize the facility. There were several pool

contamination incidents during the month. Staff responded appropriately to each occurrence and followed the required procedures to ensure the pool remained safe for users.

September Pool Operations

For the first time in many years, the Nanton Pool remained open beyond the September long weekend. This decision was well received by the community, with positive feedback from residents. Estimated attendance from **September 1–7 was 119 visits**. While the weather was not favourable toward the end of the summer, extending the season provided an additional opportunity for residents to use the facility and helped provide a longer recreational season for the community.

Pool Summer Statistics

Activity	Participants / Visits
Lane Swim	503
Open Swim	1,989
Aquafit	318
Private Rentals	148
School Bookings	480
Canada Day	86
Glow Swim	78
Wibit Warrior	23

The summer statistics demonstrate continued use of the Nanton Pool across a variety of programs. **Open Swim was the largest program by participation, with 1,989 visits**, while Lane Swim and Aquafit also showed strong participation. School bookings accounted for **480 participants**, while private rentals provided another **148 visits**. Special events such as Canada Day, Glow Swim, and Wibit Warrior also contributed to the overall use of the facility.

Overall, the summer season provided a good variety of programming and opportunities for residents, schools, community organizations, and private groups to use the pool. Despite periods of poor weather, the facility continued to see strong participation when conditions were favorable.

Prepared by: Jordan Glas, Parks and Recreation Manager

Date: September 14, 2026



MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Regular Meeting: September 21, 2026
Agenda Item: 3.3.4

Georgina Sharpe, Planning and Development

Report Period: July – August 2026

Development Permit Approvals		
	August 2026	July 2026
Residential	\$110K	\$400K
Comm/Ind	\$50K	\$0K
Public/Special	\$0K	\$1K
Other	Signs = 1	Signs = 0
	YTD2026	YTD2025
	\$2,608.5K	\$1,525K
Housing Starts	YTD2026	YE2025
(#of units)	7	6

Permits Issued:

DP #	Date Issued	Civic Address of Development	Lot	Blk	Plan	LUD	Description
D21-26	9-Jul-26	2501 22 Street		A	483JK	S-COM	New Shipping Container Site Plan (replaces D14-25 and D27-25 site plans)
D22-26	23-Jul-26	2012 30 Avenue	20	79	071 5724	R-GEN	Single Detached Dwelling
D23-26	11-Aug-26	2402 21 Street	20	14	2325P	R-GEN	Two Storey secondary suite (external) w/balcony
D24-26	12-Aug-26	2214 20 Street	15	5	959J	M-DWT	Fascia Sign over door
D26-26	14-Aug-26	2203 23 Street	2	33	2325P	R-GEN	Demolition of house and garage
D25-26	20-Aug-26	1307 21 Avenue	1		761 0428	C-HWY	Change of use to Farm Supply (Retail - General)

- ACTIVITIES**

- Film Production Permit – issued August 4, 2026
- Lot Sale of 2409 19 Avenue (Industrial - Light)

- PROJECTS**

- **Northwest Area Structure Plan** – Oldman River Regional Services Commission
 - Reviewed draft plan with Council June 22 COW
 - Reviewed ASP with 2 major land stakeholders
 - Reviewed landowner comments with Council August 10
 - Next Steps: Begin external circulation of plan for review

- EDUCATION:** N/A

- UPCOMING EVENTS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting September 14
- Public Hearing Bylaw Land Use Bylaw Amendment 1431/26 – October 5



MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Meeting: September 21, 2026

Agenda Item: 3.3.5

Nanton Fire Department

Report Period: August 1-31, 2026

ACTIVITIES:

- Regular training nights are on Thursday's starting at 19:00 hours.
 - Councilors are welcome to attend training nights.
 - We have been focusing on:
 - Vehicle Extrication
 - Entrapment
 - Impalement

PROGRESS ON MAJOR PROJECTS & PROGRAMS:

- Capital and Operational budget has been approved.
 - Budget season:
 - Engine 11-1 replacement
 - Quotes are being collected from the top vendors
 - Initial costs from 2 manufacturers are approximately \$1.2-1.5 M
 - Designs have been gathered and the committee continues to work on the project
 - Discussion on Request for Proposal

TRAINING/EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS ATTENDED:

- The Fire Chief continues to work towards his Fire Safety Codes Officer Group B with Safety Codes Council.

UPCOMING EVENTS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Fire Prevention Week
 - Preparations for Fire Prevention Week are under way.
- Met with the MD of Willow Creek Officers to continue education on the new reporting software we are using to track calls, training and Public Events
 - Work continues with the program
 - Inspection Forms for Nanton have been completed
 - Call Report Forms on going
 - There have been a few hiccups with the dispatching module of the app so most of the commitment has been towards fixing those issues

Respectfully submitted,
John G. Dozeman
Fire Chief



MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Meeting: September 21, 2026
Agenda Item 3.3.6

Peace Officer Carlos Farias

Reporting Period: June–August 2026

Community Activities

Nanton United Church Farmers' Market

The Nanton United Church Farmers' Market operated on Saturdays throughout the summer, bringing local and regional producers, artisans and visitors into the community.

The Farmers' Market provided an opportunity for Municipal Enforcement to maintain a visible presence and engage with residents, vendors and visitors. Attention was given to pedestrian and vehicle movement, parking and accessibility, particularly around the market and Highway 2. It also provided opportunities to answer questions and provide information regarding local traffic, parking, animal control, noise and other municipal requirements.

Nanton Nite Rodeo and Agricultural Events

Nanton Nite Rodeo and other agricultural and equestrian activities at the Nanton Agricultural Grounds continued throughout the summer. These events brought increased vehicle and pedestrian activity to the area.

Municipal Enforcement focused on traffic flow, parking, pedestrian movement, public interaction, emergency access and compliance with applicable municipal requirements. A visible and approachable presence also provided an opportunity to address concerns early and encourage voluntary compliance.

Round-Up Days

Round-Up Days was held from July 31 to August 3, 2026, with events and activities taking place throughout the community. Municipal Enforcement activities included traffic and parking management, pedestrian safety, maintaining emergency access, responding to public concerns and inquiries, monitoring public spaces, supporting event organizers and addressing bylaw concerns where required.

The event provided significant opportunity for positive interaction with residents and visitors. Municipal Enforcement was able to answer questions, explain bylaws, provide safety information and address concerns before they became formal enforcement matters.

Positive Ticketing

Positive ticketing was introduced this summer as a new Municipal Enforcement community engagement initiative, made possible with the support and sponsorship of local partners. The program recognizes children and youth demonstrating positive and safe behaviour in the community, such as wearing a helmet while biking or scootering and walking their bikes or scooters safely across intersections. The initiative encourages good safety habits while creating positive interactions between young residents and the Community Peace Officer.

Regional and Interagency Cooperation

A Joint Force Operation (JFO) was coordinated for Round-Up Days and Nanton Nite Rodeo to provide additional enforcement resources during one of Nanton's busiest community events. Community Peace Officers from other municipalities and enforcement agencies assisted the Town of Nanton with traffic management, enforcement activities and public safety throughout the event.

The additional personnel increased operational capacity during a period of higher traffic and visitor volumes and allowed agencies to work together, share resources and respond to issues as required. The Town appreciates the assistance provided by our municipal and regional enforcement partners, Alberta Sheriffs and the RCMP.

This cooperation is reciprocal. Nanton Municipal Enforcement also assists partner agencies when additional resources are required for major events in their communities, including events such as the High River Balloon Glow. These working relationships allow participating agencies to draw on additional personnel when needed and strengthen coordination between municipal, regional and provincial enforcement partners.

Traffic Enforcement Summary

Traffic enforcement was a significant component of Community Peace Officer activities during the reporting period.

Of the 181 violation tickets issued, 135 were for speeding, representing approximately 75% of all violation tickets issued. This demonstrates that speeding was the primary traffic-related violation addressed during the reporting period.

Additional significant traffic violations included:

- 5 tickets for driving the wrong way on a one-way highway.
- 7 tickets for failing to stop for a stop sign.
- 34 tickets for other violations.
- 47 warnings were issued as an educational and preventative enforcement measure.

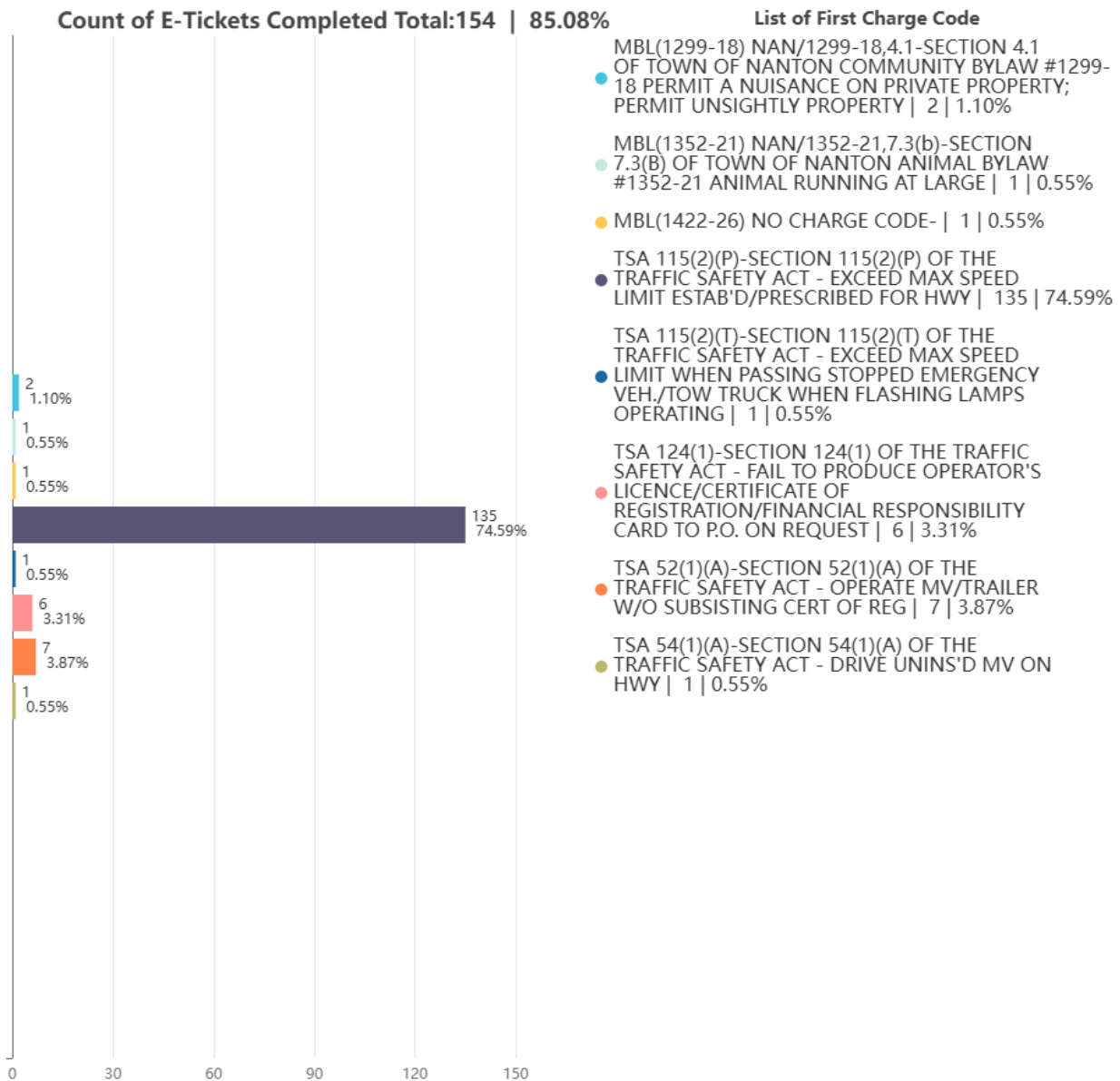
The increased number of visitors and vehicles during the summer created additional traffic-safety considerations.

Particular attention was given to:

- Speeding.
- Stop-sign compliance.
- Direction of travel on one-way roadways.
- Pedestrian safety.
- Parking and traffic flow around community events.
- Safe movement of vehicles and pedestrians.

The number of speeding violations demonstrates the continued importance of traffic enforcement and visibility within the community. Warnings were also used where appropriate to educate motorists and encourage voluntary compliance. This preventative approach allows enforcement personnel to address unsafe behaviour while maintaining positive relationships with members of the community.

Statistics from: 2026-06-01 - 2026-08-31

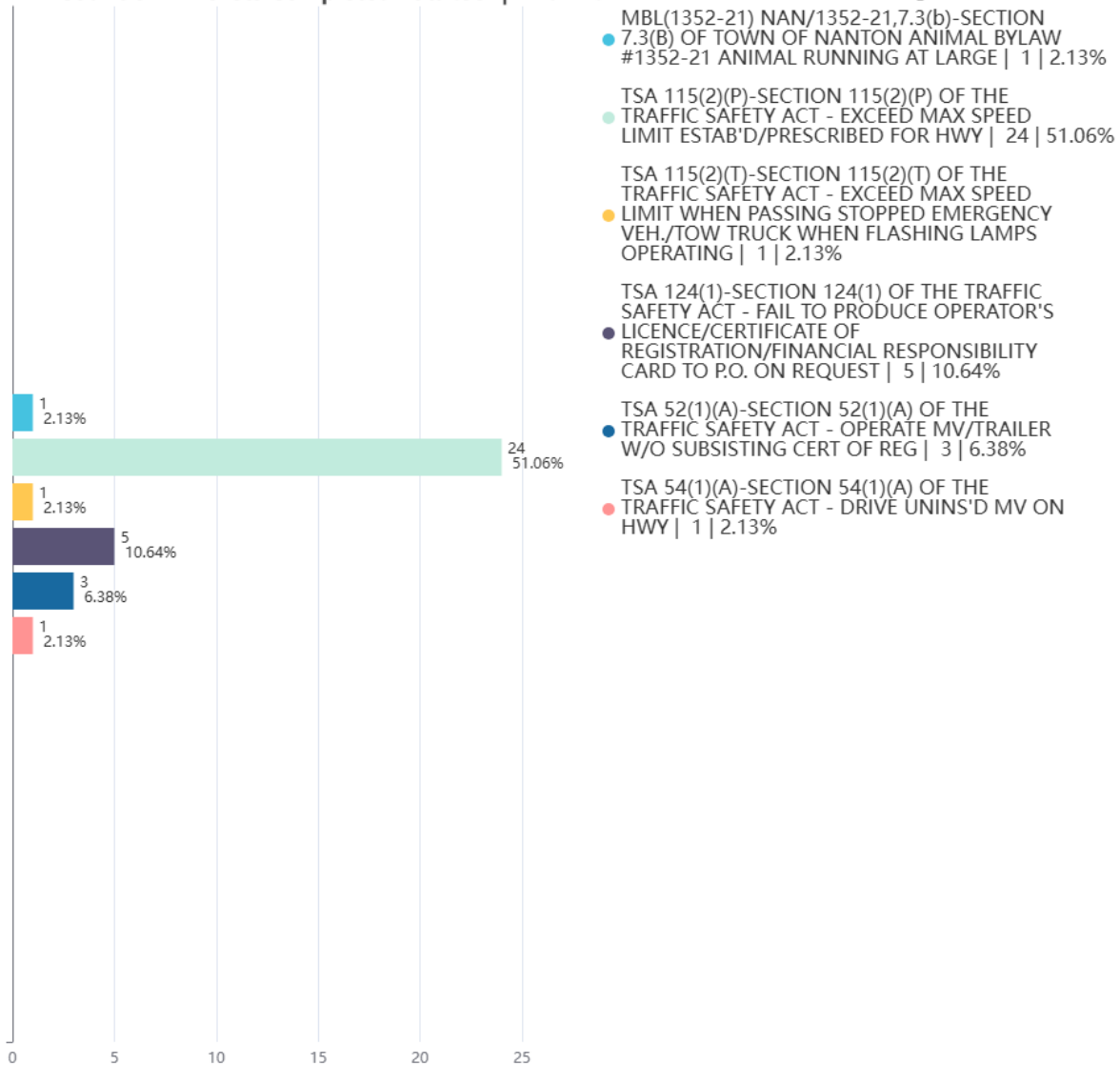


Warnings:

Statistics from: 2026-06-01 - 2026-08-31

Count of E-Tickets Completed Total: 35 | 74.47%

List of First Charge Code



Bylaw and Community Standard Report

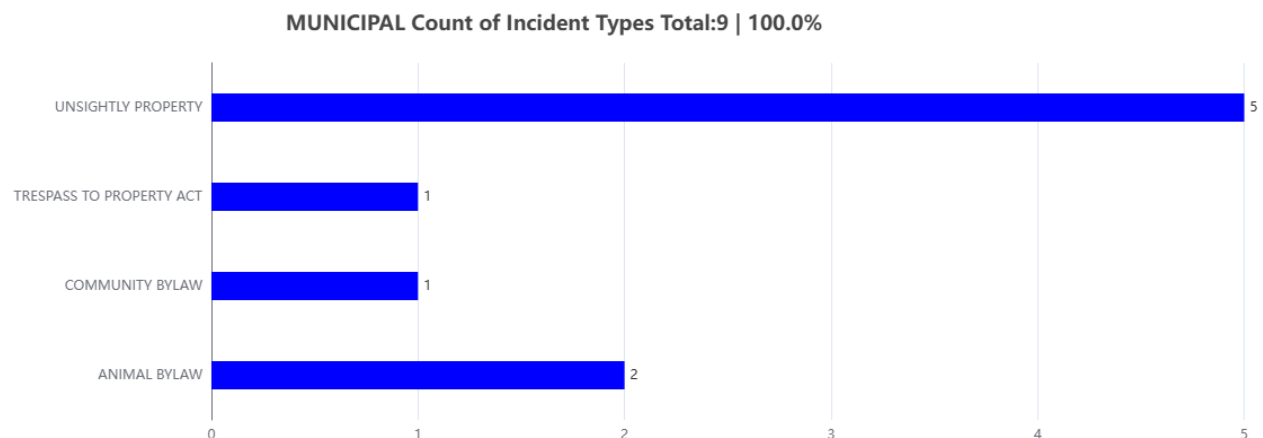
Total Municipal Incidents Investigated: 9

Incident Breakdown:

- o Unsightly Property: 5
- o Animal Bylaw: 2
- o Community Bylaw: 1
- o Trespass to Property Act: 1

Analysis

- Unsightly Property complaints represented the largest category of municipal enforcement activity during the reporting period, accounting for more than half of all reported incidents.
- Animal Bylaw matters constituted the second most common type of occurrence, requiring follow-up and compliance monitoring.
- Community Bylaw and Trespass to Property Act complaints remained relatively low, with one occurrence recorded in each category.
- Enforcement efforts continued to focus on responding to community concerns, promoting voluntary compliance, and addressing property maintenance issues that may affect neighbourhood appearance and public safety.
- Ongoing monitoring and enforcement activities support community standards and help maintain a safe, clean, and orderly environment for residents.





MONTHLY REPORT

Meeting: September 21, 2026
Agenda Item: 3.3.7

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT Department

Report Period: (June, July, August 2026)

TRAINING

Carlos Farias still required to take ICS300, I will book course when one is available.

Completed ICS Forms training with AEMA on June 12, 2026

Completed

- Completed ICS Forms training with all staff in June in partnership with AEMA. AEMA is currently in the developmental stages of this workshop and selected the Town to pilot the session with staff. The training provided an opportunity for staff to become familiar with the ICS forms and their application during an emergency response.

Developing

- Developing Hazard Response Plans for the Town's top 10 identified risks, including road accidents, blizzards, wildfires, strong winds, and water shortages.
- Updating the Emergency Management Bylaw to better align with current provincial regulations and requirements.
- Preparing for the **Full Functional Exercise scheduled for October 23, 2026**. I am currently developing an emergency scenario based on one of the Town's top 10 identified risks. I will be meeting with Charity Jones, our South Zone representative, on September 18, 2026, to discuss and further develop the scenario and exercise objectives.

EMERGENCY SOCIAL SERVICES (ESS)

Working On

- Developing a reunification plan to help prepare the Town for situations where a reception center is opened and families or friends become separated during an emergency.
- Developing an ESS appendix that will include forms, training plans, agreements, supply-kit information, and other resources required to support ESS operations.
- Continuing to work with the new HIRA program throughout the year to support the Town's emergency management planning and preparedness.

TRAINING/EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS ATTENDED:

- Foothills Regional DEM Meeting – June 18, 2026
- ICS Forms Training – June 12, 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- **SCEMA Meeting – September 14, 2026**
- **(Tornado) HIRA Session – Nov 17 & 18, 2026 (Medicine Hat)**
- **Observing Foothills County Full Functional Exercise – Oct 21, 2026**
- **Foothills DEM Meeting – October 1, 2026**
- **Town of Nanton – Full Functional Exercise – October 23, 2026**
- **Block 1 Training – Nov 16 & 17, 2026**



MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Meeting: September 21, 2026
Agenda Item: 3.3.8

Legislative Services and Communications Coordinator

Report Period: July and August 2026

ACTIVITIES:

- Completed significant work on the Town's Privacy Management Program, including implementation of new privacy, access, information security, records management and AI governance policies and procedures.
- Developed and delivered Privacy Management Program training for staff, managers and supervisors.
- Development and review of the Town's Municipal Enforcement policy suite, including evidence management, in-car and body-worn cameras, pursuits, patrol vehicles, weapons and notebook standards.
- Review and redevelopment of the Community Bylaw.
- Developed the Volunteer Firefighter Employee Policy addressing Town employees who also serve as volunteer firefighters.
- Prepared Municipal Communication Signage Policy, which was presented to Council.
- Prepared Communication Plan, which was presented to Council, and continued implementation of identified communications initiatives.
- Continued development of the Tribute Wall project, including planning for recognition criteria, content and implementation.
- Began development and coordination of the new Town of Nanton Community Guide, including project planning and content development.
- Launched the Town's official Instagram account as part of the continued expansion of municipal communications.

PROGRESS ON MAJOR PROJECTS & PROGRAMS:

- **Privacy Management Program:** Continued implementation of the Town's ATIA/POPA framework following Council approval of the major policy and bylaw components in July.
- **Communication Plan:** Following presentation of the Communication Plan to Council, continued implementation of communications initiatives intended to improve the consistency, accessibility and reach of Town information.
- **Tribute Wall:** Continued development of the Tribute Wall initiative to provide a consistent and meaningful way to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the community.
- **Community Guide:** Project planning commenced, with development continuing toward publication by the end of December 2026.
- **Records Management & Technology:** Continued planning for SharePoint, electronic records management and improvements to the Town's information governance framework.

TRAINING/EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS ATTENDED:

- No courses during the summer

UPCOMING EVENTS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Launch of Community Connection Wednesday in September.
- Launch of the monthly Peace Officer Moment public education series in September.
- Continued research on funding of the Tribute Wall.
- Community Bylaw review.
- Continued development of the Community Guide, with writing and editing progressing through September. In partnership with the Nanton Chamber of Commerce
- Continued implementation of the Privacy Management Program, including training for supervisory and management staff on privacy responsibilities, procedures and legislative requirements.



MINUTES

Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers at the Tom Hornecker
Recreation Centre, 2122 – 18 Street

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Jennifer Handley and Councillors Victor Czop, Jennie McMasters, Roger Miller, Dave Mitchell, Erin Shields and Shauna Strong

OTHERS PRESENT:	Tara Vandervalk	Chief Administrative Officer
	Clayton Gillespie	Corporate Services Manager
	Sara-Lynn Lyons	Legislative Services & Communications
	Georgina Sharpe	Planning and Development Officer
	Linette Soldan	Rowan House Society
	Carlee Marchbank	Rowan House Society
	Martin Snider	Resident

1. CALL TO ORDER & ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Handley at 7:01 p.m.

RESOLUTION # 206 – 26/09/08 - Strong

The Regular Council agenda for September 8, 2026, was accepted as presented. CARRIED

2. PRESENTATIONS:

2.1 Westview Stormwater Pond Fish Stocking Proposal – E

Council thanked Mr. Snider for his presentation and request.

RESOLUTION # 207 – 26/09/08 - Miller

Moved to direct the Chief Administrative Officer to bring back an Information Brief on the viability of stocking the Westview Stormwater Pond with trout, to the next Regular Council Meeting on September 22, 2026. CARRIED

Martin Snider left the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

2.2 Rowan House Society - E

Council thanked Ms. Soldan and Ms. Marchbank for their presentation and for the important work Rowan House Society provides in supporting individuals and families experiencing domestic violence and abuse in the community. Rowan House Society invited the Town of Nanton to become a Community Program Partner, and Council agreed to participate.

Linette Soldan and Carlee Marchbank left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

3. REPORTS:

3.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

- 3.1.1 Status Report – E
- 3.1.2 Capital Plan Status - E

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

4.1 ADOPTION:

4.1.1 August 10, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes – E

RESOLUTION # 208 – 26/09/08 - Miller

The Councillors all having read the minutes and there being no errors, omissions or corrections, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Nanton held August 10, 2026, were accepted as distributed. CARRIED

4.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

4.2.1 Request for Decision Municipal Heritage Designation Draft Bylaw 1430/26 Denoon Meat Market – E

RESOLUTION # 209 – 26/09/08 – Mitchell

Moved to read Town of Nanton Bylaw # 1430/26, a Bylaw to designate plan 43621 Block 4 Lot 44 as Municipal Historic Resource for a first time. CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 210 – 26/09/08 - Shields

Moved to read Town of Nanton Bylaw # 1430/26 for a second time. CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 211 – 26/09/08 - McMasters

Unanimous consent to read Town of Nanton Bylaw # 1430/26 for a third time was granted by all Council present. CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 212 – 26/09/08 – Czop

Moved to read Town of Nanton Bylaw # 1430/26 for a third and final time. CARRIED

5. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

5.1 Request for Decision 2028 Summer Games – E

RESOLUTION # 213 – 26/09/08 – Strong

Moved that Council support the regional application to the Southern Alberta Recreation Association (SARA) to host the 2028 Southern Alberta Summer Games and, if approved, consider the Town of Nanton's \$3,000 contribution in a future budget. CARRIED

5.2 Request for Decision Repeal Policy 61-146-01/06/25 Discretionary Notification – E

RESOLUTION # 214 – 26/09/08 - Shields

That Council repeal Policy #146/01/06/25 Discretionary Notification, as development notification requirements are addressed in the Land Use Bylaw. CARRIED

5.3 Information Brief Tax Penalty Bylaw Review – E

5.4 Request for Decision Draft Bylaw 1432/26 Rates and Fees Amendment – E

RESOLUTION # 215 – 26/09/08 - Mitchell

Moved to read Town of Nanton Bylaw # 1432/26, a Bylaw to amend the Fees and Rates bylaw 1381/23 for a first time. CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 216 – 26/09/08 - Miller

Moved to read Town of Nanton Bylaw # 1432/26 for a second time. CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 217 – 26/09/08 - Strong

Unanimous consent to read Town of Nanton Bylaw # 1432/26 for a third time was granted by all Council present. CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 218 – 26/09/08 – McMasters

Moved to read Town of Nanton Bylaw # 1432/26 for a third and final time. CARRIED

5.5 Information Brief Community Bylaw Review – E

Administration will bring back a draft copy of the Community Bylaw for Council to review.

5.6 Information Brief Mile 56/ Visitor Information Centre Rain Garden Progress Report – E

Administration will continue to work with the contractor to get completion of the project.

Councillor Roger Miller left the meeting at 8:45 p.m. and returned at 8:46 p.m.

Councillor Victor Czop left the meeting at 8:53 p.m. and returned at 8: 55 p.m.

5.7 Request for Decision Bylaw 1431/26 to amend Land Use Bylaw 1389/24 – E

RESOLUTION # 219 – 26/09/08 -

That Council reads Town of Nanton Bylaw #1431/26 a bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw 1389/24, to redistrict Lot 10 Block 6 Plan 959J from Mixed-use Downtown District (M-DWT) to Mixed-Use Transition District (M-TRN), for the first time. CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 220 – 26/09/08 -

That Council moves to hold a Public Hearing during a Regular Meeting of Council in regards to Town of Nanton Land Use Bylaw Amending Bylaw #1431/26, on October 5, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at Council Chambers in the Tom Hornecker Recreation Centre. CARRIED

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

6.1 FOR ACTION:

6.1.1 Proclamation Request Inclusion Foothills – E

RESOLUTION # 221 – 26/09/08 - Mitchell

Moved that Council proclaim October 2026 as Disability Employment Awareness Month (D.E.A.M.) in the Town of Nanton. CARRIED

6.1.2 Oldman Watershed Council Letter of Support for Renewed 4-Year Grant Funding – E

6.2 FOR INFORMATION:

- 6.2.1 Alberta SouthWest Regional Alliance – May 6, 2026, Minutes Board of Directors and Bulletin – E
- 6.2.2 Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) April – June 2026 1st Quarter Report – E
- 6.2.3 Chinook Arch Regional Library System August 6, 2026, Board meeting – E
- 6.2.4 Oldman River Regional Services Commission – June 11, 2026, Executive Committee Meeting and June 24, 2026, Special Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – E
- 6.2.5 Fortis Alberta Meter Exchange in Town of Nanton – E
- 6.2.6 Northern and Regional Economic Development (NRED) Program Nanton Highway 2 Corridor Area Development Plan – E
- 6.2.7 Regional Employer Supports Labour Market Information Bulletin August 2026 – E

7. CLOSED CONFIDENTIAL SESSION:

RESOLUTION # 222 – 26/09/08 - Shields

IT WAS MOVED at 9:04 p.m. to hold “Closed Confidential Sessions” pursuant to Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26 and the Access to Information Act (ATIA), as follows:

- 7.1 Oldman River Regional Services Commission ATIA Section 30 Disclosure Harmful to Economic and Other Interests of a Public Body
CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 223 – 26/09/08 -

IT WAS MOVED to reconvene the Regular Meeting at 9:26 p.m. CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 224 – 26/09/08 -

Moved to direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC) with notice of the discontinuation of GIS services and request an amended agreement for planning, subdivision, and appeal services only.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION # 225 – 26/09/08 -

IT WAS MOVED to adjourn the Regular Meeting of Council at 9:27 p.m.

TOWN OF NANTON

CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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These minutes accepted and signed this 21st day of September, 2026.



DELEGATION RESPONSE – WESTVIEW STORMPOND

PURPOSE: To provide Council with background information as to the storm ponds design, capacities, options, etc.

BACKGROUND / IMPLICATIONS: Westview Pond is a stormwater management pond, not a recreational fishing pond. Its primary purpose is to collect and manage stormwater runoff. The pond varies in depth, with a maximum depth of approximately 15–20 ft. Prior to dredging this spring, approximately 4,500 m³ of sediment had accumulated over 20 years, reducing some areas to only 4–6 ft deep. Following dredging, the pond holds approximately 1,127,750 U.S. gallons. Alberta's recreational fish culture licensing program states that recreational fish culture licenses are not issued for waterbodies located on public lands. Changes to the pond or drainage infrastructure will require additional regulatory review and approval from Alberta Environment and Parks.

Several significant considerations would need to be addressed before recreational fishing could be considered:

- Fish survival: The pond's current configuration and winter conditions may not provide adequate year-round fish habitat. Aeration would likely be required to maintain sufficient dissolved oxygen, particularly during winter.
- Fish containment: The pond overflows toward Lions Park, and there is currently no system to prevent fish from leaving the pond during overflow events. Engineered screens, barriers, or modifications to the stormwater infrastructure would be required.
- Water quality and food supply: Fisheries and water-quality assessments would be required to determine whether fish could survive. The pond may not have a sufficient natural food base, potentially requiring supplemental feeding and ongoing management.
- Grass carp: Grass carp would not be an appropriate solution due to regulatory considerations and the same winter-survival concerns.
- Sediment and dredging: The rate of sediment accumulation is a major concern. Any future dredging would require consideration of environmental requirements, costs, and disposal of sediment.
- Approvals and responsibilities: Alberta fisheries and wildlife authorities, water-quality specialists, and other regulatory agencies would need to be consulted. (Emerson Lake in High River was mainly provincially grant funded and designed specifically for recreation)
- Infrastructure and ongoing costs: Depending on the required assessments and improvements, costs could include fish stocking, engineering studies, outlet modifications, containment systems, aeration and electrical servicing, permits, monitoring, feeding, restocking, insurance, maintenance, and future dredging.
- Management: A recreational fishery would require clear rules regarding catch-and-release, winter fishing, enforcement, and responsibility for ongoing fishery management.
- Funding: Non-profit or community organizations could potentially assist with grants, funding, or ongoing stewardship.

Converting Westview Pond into a recreational fishery would involve considerably more than stocking fish. Ultimately changing the original design, regulatory considerations, and functionality of the storm pond. Engineering and fisheries assessments would first be required to determine whether the pond can sustainably support fish. Potential infrastructure upgrades, regulatory approvals, ongoing monitoring and maintenance, and the pond's continued stormwater function would all need to be considered. As of agenda time, we have contacted AEP and have not received a response as to the process.

The Town has not undertaken an engineering assessment or obtained quotes for such a conversion, so costs at this stage are unknown. Administration would require direction as to if further investigation or studies are desired. Maintaining stormwater capabilities should remain the primary focus of the pond as originally designed.

Prepared By: Tara Vandervalk, CAO



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: September 21, 2026

Agenda Item: 4.2.2

COMMUNITY BYLAW REVIEW

BACKGROUND / IMPLICATIONS:

Administration has completed a comprehensive review of Community Bylaw 1299/18 and prepared draft Community Bylaw 1433/26. The existing bylaw has been amended over time, including provisions for Excessive Protective Elements and Camping, Panhandling and Loitering. The proposed bylaw retains the overall purpose of regulating noise, nuisances and unsightly premises while modernizing definitions, clarifying property maintenance standards and strengthening enforcement provisions.

The review was intended to make the bylaw clearer for residents, businesses and enforcement staff, address recurring enforcement issues, better distinguish residential and non-residential property standards, and provide a more structured compliance and remediation process. The draft also consolidates exemption authority under the CAO or designate where an exemption is expressly permitted by the bylaw.

The principal changes from Community Bylaw 1299/18 are summarized below:

Area	Summary of Change
Definitions and interpretation	Updates and expands definitions to provide clearer enforcement standards. New or substantially revised definitions include Attractant, Exterior Surface, Good Repair, Inoperative Motor Vehicle, Naturalized Landscaping, Nuisance, Pest, Public View, Reasonable, Screening, Trailer, Unsightly Condition and Untidy.
Noise and exemptions	Retains the existing noise framework and hours while replacing adhoc permission language with written exemptions granted by the CAO or designate in accordance with the new general exemption process in Section 13.
Unsightly, untidy and nuisance conditions	Rewrites Section 4.1 to use clearer, objective property-maintenance standards. Vegetation provisions address substantial overgrowth, seed dispersal, encroachment, visibility, pedestrian or vehicle movement and pest shelter. Weed-control obligations continue to include adjoining boulevards and lanes.
Exterior building maintenance	Adds detailed standards requiring Buildings and Structures to be kept in Good Repair, including walls, foundations, roofs, siding, windows, doors, stairs, railings, drainage components, fences and retaining walls.
Residential, commercial and industrial property	Adds clearer outdoor-storage and nuisance standards for residential, commercial and industrial Property. Lawful business materials are not treated as Refuse solely because they are used, salvaged or awaiting reuse, provided they are orderly, within a designated storage area and Screened where required.
Inoperative motor vehicles	Clarifies the definition and residential storage requirements for Inoperative Motor Vehicles, including rear-yard location, Screening and other conditions. Commercial and industrial storage is permitted where it forms part of a licensed or approved automotive repair, vehicle sales, towing, salvage, recycling or similar use and complies with the Land Use Bylaw and applicable Development Permit.
Unattached trailers	Adds new rules for unattached Trailers on a Highway, including a 12-hour limit following unexpected mechanical failure and authority to address Trailers that obstruct traffic, interfere with visibility, lack adequate warning devices or create a safety hazard.

Construction sites	Retains requirements to contain and remove construction materials and waste and adds a specific obligation to keep construction sites safe and secure, including hazards associated with excavations and site access.
Town Property	Broadens the nuisance provision on Town Property to include unsafe conditions, Unsightly Conditions and unreasonable interference with the public's use and enjoyment of Town Property.
Enforcement and voluntary compliance	Reorganizes Section 9 into a clearer enforcement process. It provides for voluntary compliance before formal enforcement where appropriate, followed by remedial orders, review/appeal rights, Town remediation and recovery of costs.
Town remediation and cost recovery	Clarifies contractor attendance, lawful entry to undertake or supervise remedial work, obstruction offences, recovery of contractor/labour/equipment/disposal costs, administrative remediation fees, tax-roll recovery where authorized and caveat provisions.
CAO or designate exemptions	Creates one general written exemption process in Section 13. Requests may be approved, approved with conditions or refused by the CAO or designate, and exemptions may be amended or revoked. An exemption is available only where another provision of the bylaw expressly authorizes it.
Schedule A penalties	Reformats Schedule A into first, second, and third/subsequent offence columns and applies the repeat-offence period over 24 months. Adds penalties for new provisions, including exterior maintenance, outdoor storage, inoperative vehicles, unattached Trailers, construction-site safety and obstruction of remedial work.
Administrative remediation fees	Adds escalating administrative remediation fees for repeated remedial action on the same Property within 24 months: \$50 for the first remedial action, \$75 for the second and \$100 for the third and each subsequent action, in addition to the Town's actual remediation costs.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

Moved that Council give first reading to Community Bylaw 1433/26, being a bylaw to regulate noise, nuisances, unsightly and untidy property, property maintenance and related community standards within the Town of Nanton.

DECISION OPTIONS:

- ☒ #1 – Moved that Council give first reading to Community Bylaw 1433/26 as presented.
- ☐ #2 – Moved that Council give first reading to Community Bylaw 1433/26 as amended.
- ☐ #3 – Moved that Council refer Community Bylaw 1433/26 back to Administration for further review and amendment.



Financial (GL# / Amount) : No direct financial impact anticipated. Enforcement and remediation costs may be recovered where authorized by the Bylaw and Municipal Government Act.

Communications/PR: Following adoption, the updated Community Bylaw will be posted on the Town website and key changes may be communicated through Town communication channels.

Applicable Legislation: Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26; Provincial Offences Procedure Act; Weed Control Act; Traffic Safety Act; Land Titles Act; Town of Nanton Land Use Bylaw.

Attachments: Draft Community Bylaw 1433/26; Community Bylaw 1299/18 (consolidated) red copy and accepted changes

Prepared By: Sara-Lynn Lyons

Date: September 16, 2026

APPROVED BY: Tara Vandervalk, Chief Administrative Officer

NANTON STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT			
☒	RELIABLE INFRASTRUCTURE	☐	LIVABLE COMMUNITY
☐	FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	☐	PARTNERSHIPS
Strategic Plan Alignment: Reliable Infrastructure – 1.4 Building Community: Review and strengthen the Town’s Community Bylaw, including clear property standards and mechanisms to recover cleanup costs from non-compliant properties.			





~~COMMUNITY BYLAW~~
~~1299/18~~COMMUNITY BYLAW
XXXX/26

UNOFFICIAL CONSOLIDATED BYLAW (INCORPORATING ADOPTED AMENDMENTS)



February 18th 2025
TOWN OF NANTON



Bylaw #~~4299~~/18

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Amendments Table		
Bylaw Number/Year	Reason	Section(s)
1373/23	Excessive Protective Elements regulation introduced	Addition to Section 2 definitions Insertion of Section 16 (prohibition, exemptions) Schedule A amended to insert offence and penalty.
1405/25	Camping, Soliciting and Loitering	Addition to Section 2 definitions Insertion of Section 4.3 (prohibition) Schedule A amended to insert offence and penalty.
Amended or new content is highlighted in yellow.		
Other notes:		

Further direction to staff: if is determined that the present bylaw (as amended) should be repealed and/or replaced by Council, this consolidated bylaw is typically the starting point for drafting or re-drafting.

The ~~Chief Administrative Officer~~ CAO certifies that this is the correct unofficial consolidated bylaw on the following date:

February 18th 2025





BYLAW

Bylaw Number: ~~4299/18~~

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A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF NANTON IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO MITIGATE NOISE, NUISANCES AND UNSIGHTLY PREMISES.

WHEREAS, Section 7(a) of the Municipal Government Act of the Province of Alberta provides that a Council may pass bylaws for the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property, and

WHEREAS, Section 7(b) of the Municipal Government Act of the Province of Alberta provides that a Council may pass bylaws respecting people, activities and things in, on or near a public place or a place open to the public, and

WHEREAS, Section 7(c) of the Municipal Government Act of the Province of Alberta provides that a Council may pass bylaws respecting nuisances, including unsightly property, and

WHEREAS, Council deems it proper and expedient to enact a bylaw respecting the mitigation of noise, nuisances and unsightly premises to encourage a sense of community respect and ensure quiet enjoyment of property for the residents of Nanton;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Municipality of the Town of Nanton in the Province of Alberta duly assembled enacts the following Bylaw, to be cited as the "**Community Bylaw**":

1. POWERS AND INTERPRETATION:

- 1.1 This Bylaw shall be administered and enforced by ~~a Peace Officer, Bylaw Enforcement Officer, the Chief Administrative Officer, CAO, Bylaw Enforcement Officer~~ or any designated officer or employee of the ~~Town~~Town of Nanton otherwise delegated the authority of administration and enforcement of this Bylaw.
- 1.2 In this Bylaw, the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended from time to time, and referred to throughout this Bylaw as the Act, shall have precedence of hierarchy in the matters of this Bylaw. For matters concerning the enforcement of this Bylaw, the provisions of Division 4, Enforcement of Municipal Law of the Act shall be the primary authority.

2. DEFINITIONS:

Act means the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, and any subsequent amendments to the Act.

~~Approved means acceptable to the Appeal Board or Chief Administrative Officer, CAO, or the CAO designate.~~



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Bylaw #~~4299/18~~

~~Board means the Appeal Board as formed or approved by the Council of the Town of Nanton to review a remedial order appeal, as per the terms of this bylaw, in accordance with Section 8 (d) of the Act.~~

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~~Attractant means any food, food waste, compost, garbage, animal feed, fallen fruit or other substance that could reasonably attract wildlife, rodents or other pests.~~

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Building has the meaning defined in the Act and includes anything constructed or placed on, in over or under land, but does not include a ~~highway~~Highway or road or a bridge that forms part of a ~~highway~~Highway or road.

Camping means: to stay between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 08:00 a.m. in a tent, vehicle or other form of shelter, or under the open sky, whether or not on a temporary basis, on any ~~town~~Town land unless prior approval has been granted.

CAO is the Chief Administrative Officer which is the ~~person~~Person appointed to this position by the Council of the ~~Town~~Town of Nanton or a ~~person~~Person designated to act on the CAO's behalf.

Construction means the temporary process of demolishing or building any structure, or repairing or improving a building or premises that already exists, including landscaping, home repair, ~~property~~Property improvement and any work in connection with that process.

Council means the Municipal Council of the ~~Town~~Town of Nanton.

Dangerous Condition means the condition of any ~~property~~Property, premises, structure or improvement or any part thereof, which is likely or probably hazardous or dangerous to public health and safety and shall include without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

- ~~a)~~ A refrigerator, ice box or freezer, which is not being used for the storage of perishable goods and is equipped or fitted with a door that cannot be opened from the inside;
- ~~b)~~ An excavation or hole that is not safeguarded to prevent ~~person~~Persons from falling into such excavation or hole.

Development Permit means a document issued by the ~~Town~~Town, authorizing a development pursuant to the ~~Town~~Town of Nanton Land Use Bylaw, and includes plans and conditions of approval.

Dwelling Unit ~~means a building or portion thereof consisting of one or more rooms which is intended to be used as a permanent residence for one or more individuals, containing cooking, sleeping and sanitary facilities only for that unit. means habitable space used or intended to be used by one or more person~~Persons which contains cooking, eating, living, sleeping and sanitary facilities and is accessed by a separate locked entrance or serviced by one or more separate utility connections or accounts, or both.

Exterior Surface means the exterior portion of a Building or Structure, including exterior walls, foundations, roofs, doors, windows, stairs, porches, balconies, canopies, fences and attached fixtures.

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Excessive Protective Elements means protective elements that are excessive and includes but is not limited to:

- a) Visual surveillance equipment, including video cameras, 'night vision' systems, surveillance drone equipment or electronic listening devices, installed on Land or Premises capable of permitting either stationary or scanned viewing or listening, by an operator or viewer or listener of that equipment, beyond the perimeter of Land owned, leased or occupied by the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant.



- b) Floodlighting and/or alarm equipment, including motion sensor-based technology, installed on Land or Premises, which unreasonably generates light or sound beyond the perimeter of Land owned, leased or occupied by the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant.

Fence means a vertical barrier which is used to prevent or restrict passage, to provide visual screening, sound attenuation, protection from dust or other elements, or to mark a boundary.

Good Repair means a condition in which a Building, Structure or other improvement is structurally sound, weather-resistant, safe, capable of being used for its intended purpose and maintained in accordance with the exterior maintenance standards established by this Bylaw, means maintaining the condition of an object or Structure such that it does not become untidy, unsightly or dangerous and such that the object or Structure can continue to be used in the means that it was originally intended.

Graffiti means the illicit placement of one or more letters, symbols, figures, etchings, scratches, drawings, inscriptions, stickers, stains, or other markings or things however affixed on the surface of any Premises, Structure or other ~~property~~Property.

Highway means any thoroughfare, street, road, trail, avenue, parkway, driveway, viaduct, lane, alley, square, bridge, causeway, trestleway, or other place, whether publicly or privately owned, any part of which the public is ordinarily entitled or permitted to use for the passage or parking of vehicles, and includes:

- a) a sidewalk, including the boulevard portion of the sidewalk,
- b) if a ditch lies adjacent to and parallel with the road way, the ditch, and
- c) if a Highway right of way is contained between fences or between a fence and one side of the Highway, all the land between the fence and the edge of the Highway, as the case may be; but does not include a place declared by regulation not to be a Highway.

~~Highway means any thoroughfare, street, via duct, lane, alley, square, bridge, causeway, trestleway or other place, whether publicly or privately owned, any part of which the public is ordinarily entitled or permitted to use for the passage or parking of vehicles, and includes:~~

- ~~• Sidewalk (including a boulevard portion thereof);~~
- ~~• where a ditch lies adjacent to and parallel with the roadway, the ditch; and~~
- ~~• where a Highway right-of-way is contained between fences or between a fence and on one side of the roadway, all the land between the fence and the edge of the roadway, as the case may be, but;~~
- ~~• does not include a place declared by the Lieutenant Governor in Council not to be a Highway.~~

Inoperative Motor Vehicle means a Motor Vehicle that:

- a) cannot be moved under its own power;
- b) is partially dismantled, wrecked, substantially damaged or undergoing repair that prevents its lawful operation;
- c) is missing a major component required for its operation; or
- d) is otherwise incapable of being legally and safely operated on a Highway.



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~~Inoperative Motor Vehicle means a vehicle, other than a vehicle that displays a vehicle permit number plate with evidence of the current validation of the permit affixed to it, issued under the Highway Traffic Act.~~

Land means the land around and appurtenant (secondary or attached) to the whole or any part of the Premises and used or intended to be used, or capable of being used in connection with the Dwelling Unit or Building and includes those portions of public lanes or streets normally maintained by Owners or Occupants of the adjacent Premises.

Land Use Bylaw means the Land Use Bylaw of the Town of Nanton, as amended from time to time.

Loitering means: to linger, hang about, travel indolently, and includes to rest and to stand, sit or recline without a purpose relating to the ~~property~~Property, and shall include obstructing any ~~person~~Person while loitering.

Maintain means the work of keeping something in proper working order so that it performs its intended function, or keeping something in good repair or reasonable condition.

Motorized Garden Tool means any tool used for horticulture or lawn maintenance that is powered by an electric or internal combustion engine of any kind.

Municipal Tag means a form of notice alleging an offence issued pursuant to the authority of this Bylaw, which may or may not state a fine, as per the provisions of this Bylaw.

~~Naturalized Landscaping means a deliberately planted and maintained area containing native plants, ornamental grasses, flowering plants or other vegetation that is managed to prevent the growth or spread of Weeds and does not create a safety hazard, obstruct visibility or encroach onto neighbouring Property, or a Highway.~~

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Noise means any sound that is reasonably likely to disturb the peace of others.

Non-residential means the use or occupancy of a Building or Land or part thereof for any purpose other than Residential.

~~Nuisance means a condition, activity or use of Property that unreasonably interferes with the use, enjoyment, safety or comfort of another Property, or of a public place, having regard to the nature, duration, frequency, intensity and surrounding circumstances of the condition or activity. Nuisance means any use of or activity upon any propertyProperty which is offensive to any personPerson, or has or may have a detrimental effect or impact upon any personPerson or other propertyProperty in the neighborhood.~~

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Occupant means any Person who resides, leases or carries on any kind of business in a Residential or Non-residential Premises with or without a License of Occupation granted by the ~~owner~~Owner of said Premises.

OwnerOwner means:

- a ~~person~~Person who is registered under the *Land Titles Act* as the ~~owner~~Owner of a parcel of land; or
- b) a ~~person~~Person who is recorded as the ~~owner~~Owner of a ~~property~~Property on the tax assessment roll of the ~~Town~~Town of Nanton; or
- c) a ~~person~~Person who has purchased or otherwise acquired a parcel of land, whether that ~~person~~Person has purchased or otherwise acquired the land directly from the ~~owner~~Owner or from another purchaser, and has not yet become the registered ~~owner~~Owner thereof; or



- d) a ~~person~~Person holding himself out as the ~~person~~Person having the powers and authority of ~~owner~~Ownership of a ~~property~~Property or premises or who for the time being exercises the powers and authority of ~~owner~~Ownership; or
- e) a ~~person~~Person in possession or control of a ~~property~~Property or premises under construction; or
- f) a ~~person~~Person who is the ~~occupant~~Occupant of a ~~property~~Property or premises pursuant to a written or verbal rental or lease agreement, license or permit.

Panhandling means: to ask for a gratuitous donation of money, food, or goods of any kind, whether by spoken or printed word, or bodily gesture, but does not include the solicitation of charitable donations allowed or authorized pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising Act, or any other legislation permitting the solicitation of charitable donations.

Pathway means any multiple-use path whether of asphalt, concrete, shale or gravel surface, which is not a Highway.

Peace Officer means a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, a Peace Officer, a Community Peace Officer or a Bylaw Enforcement Officer for the Town.

Pest means any animal, insect or other organism, including rodents, that may cause damage to Property, create an unsafe or unsanitary condition, or negatively affect the use or enjoyment of neighbouring Property, but does not include a domestic animal.

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Person means an individual or any business entity including a firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or society.

Premises includes the external surface of all Buildings and the whole or part of any parcel of real ~~property~~Property, including the lands immediately adjacent to any Building or Buildings.

Property means the parcel of land and improvement, or a parcel of land and the improvements to it. **Property, in respect to this Bylaw**, shall also include the adjacent boulevard, and the land directly behind the rear of the ~~property~~Property from ~~property~~Property line to the mid-point of the laneway or one (1) meter beyond rear ~~property~~Property line if abutting a Municipal or Public Reserve area.

Provincial Offences Procedure Act means the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, RSA 2000, c.P-34, and the regulations thereof, as amended or replaced from time to time.

~~**Provincial Ticket or Violation Ticket** has the same meaning as in the *Provincial Offences Procedures Act, R.S.A. 2000*, as amended or replaced from time to time.~~

Public Place means any place, including privately owned or leased ~~property~~Property, to which the public reasonably has or is permitted to have access.

Public View means visible from a Highway, Sidewalk, Pathway, park, other public place or an adjoining Property at ground level.

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Reasonable ~~means an objective standard determined by considering the nature, severity, duration, frequency and location of the condition or activity, its effect on neighbouring Properties or the public, and the ordinary standard of maintenance expected for comparable Properties.~~ means an objective standard determined under the circumstances of a situation or condition (i.e. reasonable standard of a ~~property~~Property means a ~~property~~Property which is in a neat and tidy condition), in keeping with the standard of maintenance common to the neighbourhood, whether or not the ~~property~~Property is maintained with the use of natural landscaping features.



Recreational Vehicle means a vehicle or ~~trailer~~Trailer that is designed, constructed and equipped, either temporarily or permanently, as an accommodation for travel, vacation, or recreational use and includes a travel ~~trailer~~Trailer, motorized homes, slide-in campers, chassis-mounted campers, boats, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles and tent ~~trailer~~Trailers, whether licensed or unlicensed.

Refuse means any discarded or abandoned organic or inorganic material and without restricting the generality of the foregoing, includes rubbish or garbage, ashes and all forms of grass, tree and hedge cuttings and clippings, broken household dishes and utensils, empty or partly empty tins, boxes, cartons, bottles and containers, discarded paper and fabric and other materials, all trees, shrubs, stumps, scrap lumber, scrap metal, large boxes and crates, oil drums, and similar unwieldy materials, discarded furniture and fixtures, including but not limited to tables, mattresses, water heating tanks, stoves, furnaces, fences, gates and other discarded fixtures.

Residential or residence means a room or a suite of rooms which form a Dwelling unit that is exclusively used for human habitation purposes and includes houses, duplexes, ~~towns~~Townhouses, condominiums, and apartments, and means a vacant lot that is contained within a Residential Development.

Screening ~~means a solid fence, wall, building, berm, hedge or combination thereof that substantially blocks stored materials, equipment, vehicles or activities from Public View and is maintained in Good Repair, means a fence, wall, berm or hedge used to visually separate areas or functions that detract from the street or neighbouring land uses.~~

Sidewalk means:

- that part of a Highway especially adapted to the use of or ordinarily used by pedestrians, and includes that part of a Highway y between the curb line thereof (or the edge of the roadway where there is no curb line) and the adjacent ~~property~~Property line, whether or not paved or improved; and
- a Pathway that is adjacent to a Highway that fronts and/or flanks a Premises.

Standards means the standards as set out in this Bylaw.

Structure means anything constructed or erected with a fixed location on the ground or attached to something having a fixed location on the ground, which, among other things, includes buildings, walls, fences, billboards and poster panels, (and includes any Building, utility box, retaining wall, scaffolding, Receptacle, mobile home, shed or portable shack).

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Trailer ~~means a vehicle or other wheeled conveyance designed to be pulled or towed by another vehicle rather than powered by its own engine.~~

Unightly Condition ~~means a condition of Property that is Visible to the Public, shows a substantial or ongoing lack of maintenance, repair, organization or upkeep, and may be detrimental to the surrounding area. Indicators include the accumulation, storage, placement, condition or appearance of waste, debris, Refuse, discarded materials, appliances, furniture, machinery, vehicles, construction materials, uncontrolled vegetation or other objects or materials that are visibly untidy, neglected or inconsistent with the reasonable maintenance of the Property, having regard to the surrounding neighbourhood and applicable municipal standards.~~



~~may be the accumulation, storage, placement, condition, or appearance of waste, debris, refuse, discarded materials, appliances, furniture, machinery, vehicles, construction materials, uncontrolled vegetation, or other objects or materials, is visibly untidy, neglected, or inconsistent with the reasonable maintenance of the property, having regard to the surrounding neighbourhood and applicable municipal standards. accumulated Refuse, uncontrolled vegetation, deteriorated Exterior Surfaces, broken or unsecured openings, disorganized outdoor storage, or other conditions specifically prohibited by this Bylaw.~~ means the condition of any propertyProperty, premises, structure or improvement, or any part thereof, which is detrimental to the surrounding area, due to its condition, as characterized by visual evidence of a lack of general maintenance, repair and upkeep.

Untidy means a condition in which materials, equipment, possessions, Refuse or other items are visible to the public and are accumulated, scattered, disorganized or stored outside a Building without orderly arrangement or adequate Screening.Untidy means items or accumulations (e.g. possessions, clutter, refuse) not arranged or stored neatly or in order.

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Vehicle means a device in, on or by which a ~~person~~Person or thing may be transported or drawn on a ~~highway~~Highway and includes a combination of vehicles but does not include a mobility aid (as defined by the Alberta Traffic Safety Act).

Violation Ticket means a ticket issued pursuant to the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, RSA 2000, c P-34, as amended or replaced from time to time, alleging that a Person has committed an offence under this Bylaw.

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Weeds are defined within the Alberta *Weed Control Act and Regulation* and includes those described as prohibited noxious weeds and noxious weeds.

3. NOISE:

3.1 No ~~person~~Person shall cause or permit any noise that annoys or disturbs the peace of any other ~~person~~Person.

3.2 In determining what constitutes noise likely to annoy or disturb the peace of other ~~person~~Persons, consideration may be given, but is not limited to:

- (a) type, volume and duration of the sound;
- (b) time of day and day of the week;
- (c) nature and use of the surrounding area;
- (d) if the noise is excessive, unnecessary, or unusual;
- (e) any other relevant factor.

3.3 No ~~person~~Person shall permit ~~property~~Property that they own or control to be used so that noise from the ~~property~~Property annoys or disturbs the peace of any other ~~person~~Person between the hours of 11:00 p.m. any day of the week and 6:00 a.m. the next day, excepting Sundays, which shall be to 9:00 a.m. unless a written exemption has been granted by the CAO or designate in accordance with Section 13 ~~without the direct written permission of the CAO.~~

3.4 No ~~owner~~Owner or manager or other ~~person~~Person in charge of premises where liquor is served to the public shall permit any noise to emanate from such premises such that it annoys or



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disturbs any ~~person~~Person outside the boundary of the premises. Section 3.2 of this Bylaw applies to this provision.

3.5 Nothing in this Bylaw shall prevent the continual operation or carrying on of an industrial activity where the activity is one which:

- (a) is a permitted use; or
- (b) is an approved discretionary use.

3.6 In the operation or carrying on of an industrial activity, the ~~person~~Person operating or carrying on that activity shall make no more noise than is necessary in the normal method of performing or carrying on that activity.

3.7 No ~~person~~Person shall cause or permit any construction noise on ~~property~~Property that they own or control so that the noise from the ~~property~~Property annoys or disturbs the peace of any other ~~person~~Person between the hours of 9:00 p.m. any day of the week and 7:00 a.m. the next day, excepting Sundays, which shall be to 9:00 a.m.

3.8 ~~Unless a written exemption has been granted by the CAO or designate in accordance with Section 13, no Person shall use, operate or allow to be used or operated any machinery or equipment so as to create Noise or a disturbance which may be heard in a residential Building between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the next day, except Sundays which shall be to 9:00 a.m. Unless permission from the Town Development Authority or Chief Administrative Officer is first obtained, no person shall use, operate or allow to be used or operated any machinery or equipment so as to create a noise, or disturbance which may be heard in a residential building between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the next day, except Sundays which shall be to 9:00 a.m.~~

3.9 The provisions in Section 3.7 and 3.8 do not apply to work carried out by the ~~Town~~Town, or by a contractor carrying out the instructions of the ~~Town~~Town.

3.10 Nothing in this Section prohibits the use of motorized garden tools or grass cutting devices on a golf course between the hours of 6:00 am to 9:00 am any day of the week.

4. UNSIGHTLY / UNTIDY ~~PROPERTY~~PROPERTY AND NUISANCE:

4.1 ~~No Owner or Occupant shall cause or permit a Property to remain in an Unsightly Condition, Untidy condition, nuisance or condition that presents a risk to health or safety, including by: No person~~Person being an ownerOwner, agent of the ownerOwner, lessee or occupier of any ~~property~~Property within the TownTown shall permit such ~~property~~Property, or the activities upon such ~~property~~Property to be or remain, unsightly, untidy, a nuisance or a safety hazard, by doing, or neglecting to do, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following:

- ~~failing to cut, mow or otherwise maintain grass, weeds or other vegetation on the Property where the vegetation has become substantially overgrown, produces or disperses seed, encroaches onto adjoining Property or public land, obstructs visibility, interferes with pedestrian or vehicle movement, or provides shelter for Pests; allowing grass, weeds, shrubs, trees or other organic or natural landscaping features to grow and propagate uncontrolled or excessively on the premises;~~



- a) failure to cut, mow and maintain the grass on any boulevard, ~~situated on TownTown owned land adjoining, abutting or adjacent to the premises owned or occupied by the ownerOwner,~~ and to prevent such grass from growing to such a height as to be unsightly, having regard to the height of the grass on adjacent or surrounding premises;

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- ~~failing to provide suitable ground cover or take other measures necessary to prevent soil erosion or the migration of soil, gravel or other material from the Property; failure to protect lands by suitable ground cover to prevent erosion of the soil;~~

- ~~failing to control a noxious weed or destroy a prohibited noxious weed as required by the Weed Control Act, including on an adjoining boulevard and to the centre of an adjoining lane or alley; as per the provisions of the Alberta Weed Control Act, failure to "control a noxious weed and destroy a prohibited noxious weed", that is on land the personPerson owns or occupies and on any boulevard which abuts or adjoins the premises, including up to the center of lanes or alleys at the rear or side of the premises;~~

- b) failure to manage the growth of trees or shrubs or other vegetation upon such ~~propertyProperty~~ or premises to ensure that the growth does not cause any obstruction, interfere with or endanger any visibility of streets or sidewalks, including signage for same, lines, poles conduits, pipes, sewers or other works of the ~~TownTown~~, or otherwise present a safety hazard for pedestrians or traffic;

- c) allow any infectious blight or disease of trees or other vegetation located on the ~~propertyProperty~~ to go uncontrolled or unchecked, including insect pests;

- d) preventing stagnant water from accumulating or remaining on the premises so as to avoid it becoming a potential breeding place for mosquitoes or other pests;

- ~~causing or permitting smoke, dust, odour, fumes or other airborne matter to escape from the Property in a concentration or for a duration that unreasonably interferes with another Person's use or enjoyment of Property; engaging in any activity that is likely to allow excessive smoke, dust or other airborne matter, that may disturb any other PersonPerson, to escape the Premises, without taking reasonable precaution to ensure the smoke, dust or other airborne matter does not escape the Premises;~~

- e) Use any chemical, compound, product or substance for any purpose whatsoever without regard to the manufacturer's recommendations for use and safety precautions, or Provincial Regulations, that results in adverse effects to the environment or another ~~personPerson~~;

- f) excessive storage or accumulation or the failure to dispose of all forms of garbage, including but not limited to animal material, building material, papers, packages, containers, bottles, cans, sewage, yard material, dirt, soil, gravel, rocks, sod, petroleum products, hazardous recyclables, substances and wastes as defined in the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* (Alberta), tires, boxes, scrap materials including metals and lumber, dilapidated furniture, appliances, machinery, machinery parts, or other similar materials or items;

- allow or permit significant deterioration of improvements or portions of improvements, or the failure to maintain any structure in Good Repair, including accessory buildings, structures or fences such that the structure deteriorates, becomes unsightly or becomes a health or safety hazard;

- g) the failure to fence or secure an excavation, culvert, ditch or other depression so that it does not become a danger to public safety;

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- h) the storage or accumulation of construction waste, other than waste placed in an appropriate waste container and covered as to prevent the material from being blown off the ~~property~~Property;
- i) the posting or exhibiting of posters, signs, billboards, placards, writings or pictures upon any fence or wall on any ~~property~~Property, where the same are accumulated and become in a dilapidated and unsightly condition;
- j) drawing, painting or writing of any signs or messages upon public or private ~~property~~Property, except with the prior permission of the ~~owner~~Owner of the ~~property~~Property;

4.2 No Person shall cause, permit or undertake an activity on Town Property that creates a nuisance, unsafe condition, Unsightly Condition or unreasonable interference with the public's use and enjoyment of that Property. ~~No person~~Person shall cause, permit or undertake any activity upon any ~~Town~~Town ~~property~~Property which is a nuisance.

4.3 No ~~person~~Person shall cause, permit or undertake any Loitering, Panhandling, or Camping upon any ~~Town~~Town ~~property~~Property.

4.4 Every Owner or Occupant shall maintain the exterior of each Building and Structure on the Property in Good Repair, including by:

a) keeping exterior walls, foundations and roofs structurally sound and weather-resistant;

b) repairing or replacing broken, missing, loose, rotted or substantially deteriorated siding, roofing, trim, stairs, railings, porches, balconies and other exterior components;

c) maintaining painted or otherwise finished surfaces so that peeling, flaking or substantially deteriorated finishes do not expose the underlying material to continued deterioration;

d) keeping windows, doors and other openings intact, properly fitted and capable of being securely closed;

e) replacing or securing broken windows and removing loose or broken glass;

f) maintaining eavestroughs, downspouts and drainage components so that water is not directed onto adjoining Property, a Sidewalk or other public area; and

g) keeping fences, retaining walls and accessory Structures upright, stable and free of missing, broken or hazardous components.

4.7 No Owner or Occupant shall cause or permit any residential, commercial or industrial Property to become or remain unsightly, untidy, unsafe or in a condition that creates a nuisance, or to be used for outdoor storage that is inconsistent with the approved use of the Property, the Land Use Bylaw or an applicable Development Permit, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

a) store materials, supplies, inventory, equipment, machinery or parts outdoors except where such storage is incidental to or forms part of the approved use of the Property, and where permitted, ensure such items are stored within a designated area in an orderly and stable manner;-;



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b) use suitable racks, bins, containers or other storage systems where necessary to prevent materials from being scattered or accumulated across the Property;

c) provide and maintain Screening where outdoor storage is visible from a Highway, public place or adjoining residential Property;

d) keep required yards, access routes, emergency access areas, parking areas and landscaped areas free from outdoor storage;

e) prevent noise, vibration, light, glare, smoke, dust, fumes and odour generated by the business from unreasonably interfering with the use or enjoyment of adjoining Property; and

f) Materials or equipment used in the lawful operation of a business are not Refuse solely because they are used, salvaged or awaiting reuse. However, they must be stored in an orderly manner, within a designated storage area, and Screened as required by this Bylaw.

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5. MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR AND UNATTACHED TRAILERS

5.1 No ~~person~~Person may conduct any repair work on motor vehicles, including mechanical repairs, auto body work, frame repair, collision repair, auto painting or modifications to the body or rebuilding of a motor vehicle, on any site in a residential district.

5.2 This provision shall not apply to routine maintenance work done on any vehicles owned, operated and registered, in the name of the ~~owner~~Owner or ~~occupant~~Occupant of premises, provided that:

- a) The work is done in an area which is suitably screened ~~to the satisfaction of the CAO;~~
- b) The activity does not create a nuisance or noise complaints from the neighbourhood;
- c) There is no escape of offensive, annoying or noxious odours, fumes or smoke from the site;
- d) Vehicle fluids, oil, gasoline products or other hazardous materials are properly stored and disposed of and not swept or washed into lanes, streets, or down storm sewers;
- e) All discarded vehicle parts and materials are properly stored in a defined and enclosed area which is visually screened and/or are disposed of from the site in a timely manner, to the satisfaction of the CAO;
- f) No power washing of motor or power train is performed on the site;
- g) All building and fire code regulations are met.

5.3 ~~No Person shall permit more than one Inoperative Motor Vehicle on a residential Property unless a written exemption has been granted by the CAO or designate in accordance with Section 13. No person may permit more than one Inoperative Motor Vehicle on a residential premises, unless permission is granted, in writing, by the CAO or designate.~~ Such vehicle must be maintained, repaired or be otherwise operational.

5.3.1 An Inoperative Motor Vehicle permitted under section 5.3 shall:

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a) be owned by the Owner or Occupant of the Property;

b) be located within a rear yard;

c) be fully Screened from Public View;

d) be stored on a stable surface;

e) not leak fuel, oil, coolant or another fluid;

f) not create a safety hazard, fire hazard or Pest harbourage; and

g) not be used to store Refuse or materials unrelated to the repair of that vehicle.

5.3.2 An Inoperative Motor Vehicle shall not be stored on a front yard, boulevard, Highway, Sidewalk or public Property.

5.3.3 A fitted vehicle cover does not, by itself, constitute Screening.

5.3.4 Nothing in this section permits vehicle repair, storage or salvage as a home-based business unless authorized under the Land Use Bylaw.

5.3.5 This section does not apply to a vehicle stored entirely within a fully enclosed Building.

5.4 ~~An Inoperative Motor Vehicle is permitted on non-residential premises, provided the Land Use Bylaw permits such use on such premises, and the vehicle is located in a salvage yard and the like where an un-plated vehicle is an integral component of a legally operating business.~~

5.4 On a commercial or industrial Property, no more than two inoperable motor vehicles may be stored outdoors unless the storage of inoperable vehicles is directly associated with a lawful business operating on the Property. Any inoperable motor vehicle stored outdoors shall be located in a rear or interior side yard and screened from view from a Highway, public place, and adjoining residential Property. This limitation does not apply to approved automotive repair, vehicle sales, towing, salvage, recycling, or similar businesses where inoperable vehicle storage is part of the approved use and complies with the Land Use Bylaw and applicable development permits.

5.5 No Person shall park or leave a Trailer on a Highway unless the Trailer is securely attached to a motor vehicle capable of safely drawing it.

5.6 Section 5.5 does not apply where a Trailer has been temporarily detached because of an unexpected mechanical failure and cannot reasonably be removed immediately, provided that the Trailer is repaired or removed as soon as reasonably possible and no later than twelve (12) hours after being detached.

5.7 Notwithstanding section 5.6, a Peace Officer may, in accordance with section 77 of the Traffic Safety Act, cause a Trailer to be immediately removed and stored at a suitable location where it is parked or left in contravention of this Bylaw, obstructs or may obstruct traffic, interferes with visibility, lacks adequate reflective or warning devices, or otherwise creates a safety hazard.

5.8 All towing, removal and storage costs associated with a Trailer removed under section 5.7 are the responsibility of the Owner or Person responsible for the Trailer.

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6. CONSTRUCTION SITES:

6.1 An ~~owner~~Owner of a ~~property~~Property or premises under construction shall ensure that building materials and waste materials on the premises are removed or contained and secured in such a manner that prevents such material from being blown off or scattered from the ~~property~~Property.

6.2 An ~~owner~~Owner of a ~~property~~Property or premises under construction shall ensure that waste building material on the premises is removed within a reasonable time by means of appropriate containers.

6.3 An Owner of a Property or premises under construction shall ensure that the construction site is maintained in a safe and secure condition, including that:

- a) ~~open excavations, trenches, holes and other hazardous areas are adequately fenced, barricaded, covered or otherwise secured to prevent unauthorized access;~~
 - b) ~~appropriate warning signs are posted and maintained where a hazard may not be readily apparent;~~
 - c) ~~fencing, barricades, signs and other safety measures remain secure and visible for the duration of the hazard;~~
 - d) ~~construction materials, equipment and debris are stored in a stable manner that does not create a danger to neighbouring properties or the public; and~~
 - e) ~~public sidewalks, streets, lanes and other access routes adjoining the Property are kept free from construction materials, debris and hazards.~~
- ~~6.3 Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prevent the lawful storage and keeping of material in or on any non-residential property if a lawful use requiring that material is conducted on the property and the materials are stored in a neat and orderly fashion.~~

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7. GRAFFITI:

7.1 Every ~~property~~Property ~~owner~~Owner shall ensure that graffiti placed on their premises is removed, painted over, or otherwise permanently blocked from public view, within 30 days of the placement of the graffiti.

7.2 In prosecuting an offence under 7.1, the consent of the ~~property~~Property ~~owner~~Owner of any premises to place graffiti thereon shall not be a defence under this Bylaw.

8. ADDRESSING:

8.1 The ~~owner~~Owner or occupier of any Premises shall display the civic address number assigned to the ~~property~~Property, pursuant the current ~~Town~~Town of Nanton Street Numbering bylaw, at a location plainly visible from the street in front of the Premises to which the ~~property~~Property is addressed.

8.2 The ~~owner~~Owner or occupier of a Premises that has access to a laneway, shall display the number assigned to the ~~property~~Property, pursuant the current ~~Town~~Town of Nanton Street Numbering bylaw, at a location plainly visible from the laneway.



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9. ENFORCEMENT:

9.1 A Peace Officer may enter onto or upon any Property to inspect for compliance with this Bylaw in accordance with section 542 of the Municipal Government Act.

- a) The Peace Officer shall provide the Owner or Occupant with reasonable notice before entering the Property, except where otherwise authorized by law.
- b) The Peace Officer may document the condition of the Property and any apparent contravention.

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9.2 Except where immediate enforcement is warranted, a Peace Officer may use the following voluntary compliance process before issuing a remedial Order:

- a) provide the Owner or Occupant with written notice describing the apparent contravention and the action required to correct it;
- b) allow seven (7) days from the date of the notice to correct the contravention;
- c) reinspect the Property after the seven-day period; and
- d) proceed with a remedial Order under section 9.3 if the contravention has not been corrected.

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9.3 A Peace Officer may extend the voluntary compliance period where the nature of the work, weather, contractor availability or another relevant circumstance prevents compliance within seven (7) days.

- a) The extension must be granted in writing.
- b) The extension must specify the new compliance date.
- c) An extension shall not be granted where the condition creates an immediate risk to health, safety, Property or the environment.

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9.4 A Peace Officer may proceed directly to a remedial Order without using the voluntary compliance process where:

- a) the contravention creates an immediate risk to health, safety, Property or the environment;
- b) the Owner or Occupant has previously failed to correct the same or a similar contravention; or
- c) the Owner or Occupant refuses to cooperate;

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9.5 A Peace Officer may issue a written Order under section 545 or 546 of the Municipal Government Act requiring a Person responsible for a contravention to remedy it.

- a) The Order shall identify the Property and the Person responsible for the contravention.
- b) The Order shall describe the contravention and specify the action or measures required to correct it.
- c) The Order shall require compliance within fourteen (14) days after it is received, unless a different period is warranted by the nature or severity of the contravention.
- d) The Order shall state that the Town may undertake the required work at the expense of the Person if the Order is not complied with.
- e) The Order shall explain the right to request Council's review of the Order.
- f) The Order shall include any other information required by the Municipal Government Act.

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9.6 A Peace Officer may extend the compliance deadline specified in an Order where the Person has demonstrated reasonable efforts toward compliance and no immediate risk exists.

- a) The extension must be granted in writing before the existing compliance deadline expires.
- b) The extension must specify the new compliance date.
- c) The extension must not be contrary to the Municipal Government Act.

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9.7 A Person who receives an Order under section 545 or 546 of the Municipal Government Act may request that Council review the Order by delivering written notice to the Town within fourteen (14) days after receiving the Order.

- a) Council may confirm, vary, substitute or cancel the Order in accordance with section 547 of the Municipal Government Act.
- b) A Person affected by Council's decision may appeal the decision to the Court of King's Bench within the time and on the grounds permitted by section 548 of the Municipal Government Act.

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9.8 After the compliance deadline has passed, a Peace Officer may conduct a final inspection to determine whether the Order has been complied with.

9.9 If an Order has not been complied with, the Town may take the actions or measures necessary to remedy the contravention where:

- a) the Order stated that the Town could undertake the required work at the expense of the Person;
- b) the compliance deadline has expired;
- c) the period for requesting Council's review has expired; and
- d) any review or appeal has been finally determined in a manner that permits the Town to proceed.

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9.10 The Town may arrange for a contractor or other qualified Person to complete the actions or measures required to remedy the contravention.

a) A Peace Officer or other Person authorized by the Town may enter the Property to undertake or supervise the remedial work where permitted by law.

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b) No Person shall obstruct or interfere with anyone lawfully undertaking or supervising the remedial work.

9.11 All contractor charges, labour costs, equipment costs, disposal costs, administrative remediation fees and other expenses incurred by the Town are amounts owing to the Town by the Person responsible for the contravention.

a) The administrative remediation fees established in Schedule "A" are payable in addition to the Town's actual remediation costs.

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b) Unpaid amounts may be recovered as a civil debt or added to the tax roll of the Property where authorized by the Municipal Government Act.

9.12 If the Town sells all or part of a Building, Structure or improvement removed under this Bylaw, the proceeds shall be applied to the expenses and costs of removal, and any remaining proceeds shall be paid to the Person legally entitled to receive them.

9.13 The Town may register a caveat under the Land Titles Act against the Certificate of Title for a Property that is the subject of an Order where authorized by the Municipal Government Act.

a) The Town shall discharge the caveat when the Order has been complied with or the Town has completed the actions or measures required by the Order.

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9.14 An Order or other enforcement document may be served on an Owner, Occupant or other Person by:

a) Personally delivering it to the Person;

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b) leaving it at the Person's residence with an individual who appears to be at least eighteen (18) years of age;

c) sending it by registered mail to the Person's last known address; or

d) posting it in a conspicuous place on the Property where the Person appears to be evading service or no other method of service is reasonably available.

9.15 An Order sent by registered mail is deemed to have been received five (5) days after it was mailed.

9.1 ~~A Peace Officer, may, for the purpose of ensuring that the provisions of this Bylaw are being complied with, enter onto or upon any Property~~Property~~, in accordance with Section 542 of the Municipal Government Act, to carry out an inspection, enforcement or other action required or authorized by this Bylaw, the MGA, or other statute.~~

9.2 ~~When exercising authority to enter onto Property~~Property ~~for inspection or enforcement under Section 9.1, a Peace Officer~~Peace Officer ~~shall provide the Owner~~Owner or OccupantOccupant ~~of the Property~~Property ~~with reasonable notice as required by the MGA.~~



- 9.3 — Any ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant who contravenes this Bylaw may be issued a written Order by a ~~Peace Officer~~Peace Officer to remedy the contravention in any manner deemed necessary in the circumstance pursuant to Section 545 of the MGA, in the case of a Nuisance, or Section 546 of the MGA, in the case of a danger to public safety or Unsightly Premises.
- 9.4 — An Order issued by the ~~Peace Officer~~Peace Officer as per Section 9.3, for any Nuisance, danger or unsightly premises, shall be in accordance with the provisions of Sections 545 and 546 of the MGA.
- 9.5 — An ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant or other person ~~Person~~Person who receives a written Order under this Section may request a review of the Order by written notice within fourteen (14) days of the day on which the Order is received. Upon reviewing the Order, the Appeal Committee may confirm, vary, substitute or cancel the Order.
- 9.6 — An ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant or other person ~~Person~~Person affected by the decision of Council under Section 9.5 of this Bylaw may appeal to the Court of Queen's Bench, as per the provisions of the MGA, Sections 547 and 548.
- 9.7 — The expenses and costs of any action or measures taken by the ~~Town~~Town under this Bylaw are an amount owing to the ~~Town~~Town by the ~~Owner~~Owner, ~~Occupant~~Occupant or any other ~~Person~~Person in contravention of this Bylaw, as per Section 568 of the MGA.
- 9.8 — If the ~~Town~~Town sells all or part of a building, structure or improvement that has been removed under this Bylaw, the proceeds of the sale must be used to pay the expenses and costs of the removal and any excess proceeds must be paid to the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant if entitled to them.
- 9.9 — The expenses and cost incurred by the ~~Town~~Town in the enforcement of this Bylaw may be collected as a civil debt or added to the tax roll of the ~~Property~~Property that is the subject of the enforcement proceedings under the Bylaw, as per Sections 552 and 553 of the MGA.
- 9.10 — The ~~Town~~Town may register a caveat under the Land Titles Act in respect of an Order issued under this Bylaw against the Certificate of Title for the ~~Property~~Property that is the subject of the Order, in accordance with Section 546 of the MGA.
- 9.11 — An Order under this Bylaw may be served on an ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant, and is deemed to have been served on the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant, when the Order has been:
- ~~Person~~Personally delivered to the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant;
 - Left for the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant at his residence with a person ~~Person~~Person on the premises who appears to be at least eighteen (18) years of age;
 - Sent via registered mail addressed to the last known postal address of the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant; or,
 - Posted in a conspicuous place on the ~~Property~~Property referred to on the Order, when the CAO or ~~Peace Officer~~Peace Officer has reason to believe:
 - That the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant to whom the Order is addressed is evading service; or
 - No other means of services available.
- 9.12 — If an Order is sent via register mail as referred to in Section 9.11, then it is deemed to be received by the ~~Owner~~Owner or ~~Occupant~~Occupant five (5) days after the Order was mailed.



10. PENALTIES:

- 10.1 Notwithstanding whether an Order has been issued as per this Bylaw, any ~~person~~Person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable to penalty as set out in Schedule "A", herein.
- 10.2 Under no circumstances shall any ~~person~~Person contravening any provision of this Bylaw be subject to the penalty of imprisonment.

11. VIOLATION MUNICIPAL TAGS:

- 11.1 A ~~Peace Officer~~Peace Officer or CAO is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a ~~Violation Municipal~~Tag to any ~~person~~Person who the ~~Peace Officer~~Peace Officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this Bylaw.
- 11.2 A ~~Violation Municipal~~Tag shall be served upon such a ~~person~~Person in the same manner as outlined in Section 9 of this Bylaw
- 11.3 The ~~Violation Municipal~~Tag shall be in a form approved by the ~~Chief Administrative Officer~~CAOCAO and shall state:
- the name of the ~~Owner~~Owner and/or ~~Occupant~~Occupant of the ~~Property~~Property;
 - a description of the ~~Property~~Property;
 - the offence;
 - the appropriate penalty for the offence as specified in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw;
 - that the penalty shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the ~~Violation Municipal~~Tag; and
 - any other information as may be required by the CAO.
- 11.4 Where a contravention of this Bylaw is of a continuing nature, further ~~Municipal~~Violation Tags may be issued by the Peace Officer, provided that no more than one ~~Violation Municipal~~Tag shall be issued for each day that the contravention continues.
- 11.5 Where a ~~Violation Municipal~~Tag is issued pursuant to this Bylaw, the ~~person~~Person to whom the ~~Violation Municipal~~Tag is issued may, in lieu of being prosecuted for the offence, pay to the ~~Town~~Town of Nanton the penalty specified on the ~~Municipal~~Violation Tag.
- 11.6 Nothing in this Bylaw shall prevent a ~~Peace Officer~~Peace Officer from immediately issuing a Violation Ticket for the mandatory Court appearance of any ~~person~~Person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw.

12. VIOLATION TICKET:

- 12.1 If the penalty specified on a Violation ~~Tag~~Ticket is not paid within the prescribed time period then a ~~Peace Officer~~Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a Violation Ticket pursuant to Part II of the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, RSA 2000, c. P-34, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time.

12.2 Notwithstanding Section 11.1 of this Bylaw, a Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to immediately issue a Violation Ticket to any Person whom the Peace



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Officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this Bylaw.

12.3 Where there is a specified penalty listed for an offence in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw, the amount is the specified penalty for the offence.

12.4 Notwithstanding the specified or minimum penalties set out in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw:

- (a) if a Person is convicted twice of the same provision of this Bylaw within a twenty-four-month period, the minimum penalty for the second conviction shall be the amount of the specified penalty for a first offence; and
- (b) if a Person is convicted three or more times of the same provision of this Bylaw within a twenty-four-month period, the minimum penalty for the third and subsequent convictions shall be double the amount of the specified penalty for such first offence.

13. EXEMPTIONS & EXCEPTIONS:

13.1 The provisions of this Bylaw shall not be interpreted to prevent bona fide and permitted commercial, industrial, agricultural, construction, demolition, renovation, landscaping, clean-up, storage or other related activities from being carried out on, or in relation to, a Premises, provided that all reasonable steps are taken to minimize the duration of any Noise that may annoy or disturb Persons that may be affected by such Noise.

13.2 Where a provision of this Bylaw expressly permits an exemption to be granted by the CAO or designate, a Person may submit a written request to the CAO or designate identifying the provision from which the exemption is requested, the reason for the request, the duration of the requested exemption and any other information required by the CAO or designate.

13.3 In considering a request for an exemption, the CAO or designate may consider public safety, potential impacts on neighbouring Properties or the public, the nature and duration of the activity, reasonable alternatives, proposed mitigation measures and any other relevant circumstances.

13.4 The CAO or designate may approve, approve with conditions or refuse an exemption request and may establish the period during which an approved exemption remains in effect.

13.5 An exemption may only be granted where a provision of this Bylaw expressly authorizes the CAO or designate to grant an exemption.

13.6 The CAO or designate may revoke or amend an exemption where the conditions of the exemption are not being complied with, circumstances have changed, or the activity creates an unreasonable nuisance or risk to health, safety, Property or the environment.

13.1 The provisions of this Bylaw shall not be interpreted to prevent bona fide and permitted commercial, industrial, agricultural, construction, demolition, renovation, landscaping, clean-up, storage or other related activities from being carried out on, or in relation to, a premises, provided that all reasonable steps are taken to minimize the duration of any noise which may annoy or disturb persons that may be affected by such noise.

13.2 The owner of a premises that carries on or permits the carrying on of any activities referred to in Section 4.1 of this Bylaw shall ensure that all reasonable steps are taken to minimize the duration and visual impact of any resulting untidiness or unsightliness of the premises.



14. MISCELLANEOUS:

- 14.1 Nothing in this Bylaw relieves a ~~Person~~Person from complying with any Federal or Provincial law or regulation, or other Bylaw, or any requirements of any lawful permit, order or license.
- 14.2 The levying and payment of any penalty or fine or the imprisonment for any period provided in this Bylaw shall not relieve a ~~Person~~Person from the necessity of paying any fees, charges or costs from which that ~~Person~~Person is liable under the provisions of this Bylaw.
- 14.3 Every provision of this Bylaw is independent of all other provisions and, if any provision of this Bylaw is declared invalid for any reason by a Court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions of this Bylaw shall remain valid and enforceable.
- 14.4 The ~~Town~~Town is not required to enforce every breach or contravention of this Bylaw. In deciding whether or not to enforce the Bylaw, the ~~Town~~Town may take into account any practical concerns or considerations, including but not limited to the nature and extent of the breach or contravention, any financial or budgetary considerations and the availability of ~~person~~Personnel or human resources.
- 14.5 All Schedules attached to this Bylaw shall form part of this Bylaw.
- 14.6 The use of nouns and pronouns within this Bylaw are gender neutral and, accordingly, any reference to one gender includes the other. Also, words in the singular include the plural and conversely, words in the plural include the singular.

~~14.7 Upon coming into force of this Bylaw, the following Bylaws shall be repealed:~~
○ ~~Nuisance and Unightly Premises Bylaw #1107/08;~~
○ ~~Noise Control Bylaw #1126/03.~~

15. EFFECTIVE DATE AND READINGS (2018)

156. EXCESSIVE PROTECTIVE ELEMENTS:

156.1 General Prohibition:

No ~~person~~Person shall construct, affix or place or permit the construction, affixing or placement of Excessive Protective Elements on Land or Premises.

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156.2 Exemptions:

156.2.1 The following are exempt from Section 156.1:

- a) Financial institutions in Commercially districted areas;
- b) Lands owned or occupied by the Federal or Provincial Government;
- c) Lands owned or occupied by the ~~Town~~Town of Nanton or other municipal entities; and

d) Land specifically exempted by the CAO or designate in accordance with this Section and Section 13. ~~Land specifically exempted from this Section 16.1 of this Bylaw.~~

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156.2.2 A ~~person~~Person requesting an exemption from Section 156.1 of this Bylaw shall provide to the ~~Chief Administrative Officer~~CAO or designate with the following:

- a) Proof of ~~owner~~Ownership of the Land and where the ~~person~~Person requesting the exemption is not the ~~owner~~Owner, authorization from the ~~owner~~Owner to request the exemption;
- b) Complete details of the location of the Land, including municipal address, legal description, the existing use and nature of the use (residential, commercial, industrial or farm), and a scaled drawing showing the Land and all structures on the ~~Property~~Property;
- c) A detailed explanation shall be included of the exemption(s) requested and the rationale for requesting such an exemption(s). This should include details of the proposed application of Excessive Protective Elements along with an explanation of how that application of the Excessive Protective Elements is rationally connected to the purpose for which the exemption is being sought and the impact on the use and enjoyment of neighbouring ~~Property~~Property; and
- d) Any other information or documents as may be required by the ~~Chief Administrative Officer~~CAO or designate.

165.2.3 In determining whether to exempt any Land from Section 156.1 of this Bylaw, the ~~Chief Administrative Officer~~CAO or designate may consider:

- a) the reason, necessity and rationale for the exemption(s) requested;
- b) the nature and extent of the specific exemption(s) requested;
- c) whether adjacent Land ~~owner~~Owners or ~~Occupant~~Occupants have consented to the exemption or any conditions that may be attached; and
- d) the views of local law enforcement.

165.2.4 The ~~Chief Administrative Officer~~CAO or designate may revoke an exemption under this section at any time, for any reason.

165.2.5 An exemption granted under this Bylaw is ~~person~~Personal, not assignable, does not run with the Land, and immediately expires upon the sale of the Land or any change in occupancy or corporate control of the tenancy or ~~owner~~Ownership of the Land.

165.2.6 The ~~Chief Administrative Officer~~CAO or designate's decision pursuant to Section 156 of this Bylaw shall be considered final.



16. EFFECTIVE DATE AND READINGS

16.1 This bylaw repeals Bylaw #1299/18, 1373/23, 1405/25 and any amendments thereto.

16.2 Read a **first** time this _____ day of _____, 2026

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CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL

CAO

16.3 Read a **second** time this _____ day of _____, 2026.

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16.4 Read a **third** time this _____ day of _____, 2026.

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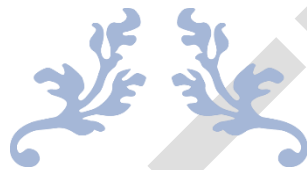


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COMMUNITY BYLAW 1433/26





BYLAW

Bylaw Number: 1433/26

A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWN OF NANTON IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO MITIGATE NOISE, NUISANCES AND UNSIGHTLY PREMISES.

WHEREAS, Section 7(a) of the Municipal Government Act of the Province of Alberta provides that a Council may pass bylaws for the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property, and

WHEREAS, Section 7(b) of the Municipal Government Act of the Province of Alberta provides that a Council may pass bylaws respecting people, activities and things in, on or near a Public Place or a place open to the public, and

WHEREAS, Section 7(c) of the Municipal Government Act of the Province of Alberta provides that a Council may pass bylaws respecting nuisances, including unsightly property, and

WHEREAS, Council deems it proper and expedient to enact a bylaw respecting the mitigation of noise, nuisances and unsightly premises to encourage a sense of community respect and ensure quiet enjoyment of property for the residents of Nanton;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Municipality of the Town of Nanton in the Province of Alberta duly assembled enacts the following Bylaw, to be cited as the “**Community Bylaw**”:

1. POWERS AND INTERPRETATION:

- 1.1 This Bylaw shall be administered and enforced by a Peace Officer, Bylaw Enforcement Officer, the CAO, or any designated officer or employee of the Town of Nanton otherwise delegated the authority of administration and enforcement of this Bylaw.
- 1.2 In this Bylaw, the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended from time to time, and referred to throughout this Bylaw as the Act, shall have precedence of hierarchy in the matters of this Bylaw. For matters concerning the enforcement of this Bylaw, the provisions of Division 4, Enforcement of Municipal Law of the Act shall be the primary authority.

2. DEFINITIONS:

Act means the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, and any subsequent amendments to the Act.

Attractant means any food, food waste, compost, garbage, animal feed, fallen fruit or other substance that could reasonably attract wildlife, rodents or other Pests.

Building has the meaning defined in the Act and includes anything constructed or placed on, in over or under Land, but does not include a Highway or road or a bridge that forms part of a Highway or road.

Camping means to stay between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 08:00 a.m. in a tent, Vehicle or other form of shelter, or under the open sky, whether or not on a temporary basis, on any Town Land unless prior approval has been granted.

CAO is the Chief Administrative Officer which is the Person appointed to this position by the Council of the Town of Nanton or a Person designated to act on the CAO's behalf.

Construction means the temporary process of demolishing or Building any Structure, or repairing or improving a Building or Premises that already exists, including landscaping, home repair, Property improvement and any work in connection with that process.

Council means the Municipal Council of the Town of Nanton.

Dangerous Condition means the condition of any Property, Premises, Structure or improvement or any part thereof, which is likely or probably hazardous or dangerous to public health and safety and shall include without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

- a) A refrigerator, ice box or freezer, which is not being used for the storage of perishable goods and is equipped or fitted with a door that cannot be opened from the inside;
- b) An excavation or hole that is not safeguarded to prevent Persons from falling into such excavation or hole.

Development Permit means a document issued by the Town, authorizing a development pursuant to the Town of Nanton Land Use Bylaw, and includes plans and conditions of approval.

Dwelling Unit means a Building or portion thereof consisting of one or more rooms which is intended to be used as a permanent residence for one or more individuals, containing cooking, sleeping and sanitary facilities only for that unit.

Exterior Surface means the exterior portion of a Building or Structure, including exterior walls, foundations, roofs, doors, windows, stairs, porches, balconies, canopies, Fences and attached fixtures.

Excessive Protective Elements means protective elements that are excessive and includes but is not limited to:

- a) Visual surveillance equipment, including video cameras, 'night vision' systems, surveillance drone equipment or electronic listening devices, installed on Land or Premises capable of permitting either stationary or scanned viewing or listening, by an operator or viewer or listener of that equipment, beyond the perimeter of Land owned, leased or occupied by the Owner or Occupant.
- b) Floodlighting and/or alarm equipment, including motion sensor-based technology, installed on Land or Premises, which unreasonably generates light or sound beyond the perimeter of Land owned, leased or occupied by the Owner or Occupant.

Fence means a vertical barrier which is used to prevent or restrict passage, to provide visual Screening, sound attenuation, protection from dust or other elements, or to mark a boundary.

Good Repair means a condition in which a Building, Structure or other improvement is structurally sound, weather-resistant, safe, capable of being used for its intended purpose and maintained in accordance with the exterior maintenance Standards established by this Bylaw.

Graffiti means the illicit placement of one or more letters, symbols, figures, etchings, scratches, drawings, inscriptions, stickers, stains, or other markings or things however affixed on the surface of any Premises, Structure or other Property.

Highway means any thoroughfare, street, road, trail, avenue, parkway, driveway, viaduct, lane, alley, square, bridge, causeway, trestleway, or other place, whether publicly or privately owned, any part of which the public is ordinarily entitled or permitted to use for the passage or parking of Vehicles, and includes;

- a) a Sidewalk, including the boulevard portion of the Sidewalk,
- b) if a ditch lies adjacent to and parallel with the roadway, the ditch, and
- c) if a Highway right of way is contained between Fences or between a Fence and one side of the Highway, all the Land between the Fence and the edge of the Highway, as the case may be; but does not include a place declared by regulation not to be a Highway.

Inoperative Motor Vehicle means a Motor Vehicle that:

- a) cannot be moved under its own power;
- b) is partially dismantled, wrecked, substantially damaged or undergoing repair that prevents its lawful operation;
- c) is missing a major component required for its operation; or
- d) is otherwise incapable of being legally and safely operated on a Highway.

Land means the Land around and appurtenant (secondary or attached) to the whole or any part of the Premises and used or intended to be used, or capable of being used in connection with the Dwelling Unit or Building and includes those portions of public lanes or streets normally Maintained by Owners or Occupants of the adjacent Premises.

Land Use Bylaw means the Land Use Bylaw of the Town of Nanton, as amended from time to time.

Loitering means to linger, hang about, travel indolently, and includes to rest and to stand, sit or recline without a purpose relating to the Property, and shall include obstructing any Person while Loitering.

Maintain means the work of keeping something in proper working order so that it performs its intended function or keeping something in Good Repair or Reasonable condition.

Motorized Garden Tool means any tool used for horticulture or lawn maintenance that is powered by an electric or internal combustion engine of any kind.

Municipal Tag means a form of notice alleging an offence issued pursuant to the authority of this Bylaw, which may or may not state a fine, as per the provisions of this Bylaw.

Naturalized Landscaping means a deliberately planted and Maintained area containing native plants, ornamental grasses, flowering plants or other vegetation that is managed to prevent the growth or spread of Weeds and does not create a safety hazard, obstruct visibility or encroach onto neighbouring Property or a Highway.

Noise means any sound that is reasonably likely to disturb the peace of others.

Non-Residential means the use or occupancy of a Building or Land or part thereof for any purpose other than Residential.

Nuisance means a condition, activity or use of Property that unreasonably interferes with the use, enjoyment, safety or comfort of another Property or of a Public Place, having regard to the nature, duration, frequency, intensity and surrounding circumstances of the condition or activity.

Occupant means any Person who resides, leases or carries on any kind of business in a Residential or Non-Residential Premises with or without a License of Occupation granted by the Owner of said Premises.

Owner means:

- a) a Person who is registered under the *Land Titles Act* as the Owner of a parcel of Land; or
- b) a Person who is recorded as the Owner of a Property on the tax assessment roll of the Town of Nanton; or
- c) a Person who has purchased or otherwise acquired a parcel of Land, whether that Person has purchased or otherwise acquired the Land directly from the Owner or from another purchaser, and has not yet become the registered Owner thereof; or
- d) a Person holding himself out as the Person having the powers and authority of ownership of a Property or Premises or who for the time being exercises the powers and authority of Ownership; or
- e) a Person in possession or control of a Property or Premises under Construction; or
- f) a Person who is the Occupant of a Property or Premises pursuant to a written or verbal rental or lease agreement, license or permit.

Panhandling means: to ask for a gratuitous donation of money, food, or goods of any kind, whether by spoken or printed word, or bodily gesture, but does not include the solicitation of charitable donations allowed or authorized pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising Act, or any other legislation permitting the solicitation of charitable donations.

Pathway means any multiple-use path whether of asphalt, concrete, shale or gravel surface, which is not a Highway.

Peace Officer means a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, a Peace Officer, a Community Peace Officer or a Bylaw Enforcement Officer for the Town.

Pest means any animal, insect or other organism, including rodents, that may cause damage to Property, create an unsafe or unsanitary condition, or negatively affect the use or enjoyment of neighbouring Property, but does not include a domestic animal.

Person means an individual or any business entity including a firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or society.

Premises includes the external surface of all Buildings and the whole or part of any parcel of real Property, including the Lands immediately adjacent to any Building or Buildings.

Property means the parcel of Land and improvement, or a parcel of Land and the improvements to it. Property, in respect to this Bylaw, shall also include the adjacent boulevard, and the Land directly behind the rear of the Property from Property line to the mid-point of the laneway or one (1) meter beyond rear Property line if abutting a Municipal or Public Reserve area.

Provincial Offences Procedure Act means the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, RSA 2000, c.P-34, and the regulations thereof, as amended or replaced from time to time.

Public Place means any place, including privately owned or leased Property, to which the public reasonably has or is permitted to have access.

Public View means visible from a Highway, Sidewalk, Pathway, park, other Public Place or an adjoining Property at ground level.

Reasonable means an objective standard determined by considering the nature, severity, duration, frequency and location of the condition or activity, its effect on neighbouring Properties or the public, and the ordinary standard of maintenance expected for comparable Properties.

Recreational Vehicle means a Vehicle or Trailer that is designed, constructed and equipped, either temporarily or permanently, as an accommodation for travel, vacation, or recreational use and includes a travel Trailer, motorized homes, slide-in campers, chassis-mounted campers, boats, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles and tent Trailers, whether licensed or unlicensed.

Refuse means any discarded or abandoned organic or inorganic material and without restricting the generality of the foregoing, includes rubbish or garbage, ashes and all forms of grass, tree and hedge cuttings and clippings, broken household dishes and utensils, empty or partly empty tins, boxes, cartons, bottles and containers, discarded paper and fabric and other materials, all trees, shrubs, stumps, scrap lumber, scrap metal, large boxes and crates, oil drums, and similar unwieldy materials, discarded furniture and fixtures, including but not limited to tables, mattresses, water heating tanks, stoves, furnaces, Fences, gates and other discarded fixtures.

Residential or Residence means a room or a suite of rooms which form a Dwelling Unit that is exclusively used for human habitation purposes and includes houses, duplexes, Townhouses, condominiums, and apartments, and means a vacant lot that is contained within a Residential Development.

Screening means a solid Fence, wall, Building, hedge or combination thereof that substantially blocks stored materials, equipment, Vehicles or activities from Public View and is Maintained in Good Repair.

Sidewalk means:

- a) that part of a Highway especially adapted to the use of or ordinarily used by pedestrians, and includes that part of a Highway between the curb line thereof (or the edge of the roadway where there is no curb line) and the adjacent Property line, whether or not paved or improved; and
- b) a Pathway that is adjacent to a Highway that fronts and/or flanks a Premises.

Standards means the Standards set out in this Bylaw.

Structure means anything constructed or erected with a fixed location on the ground or attached to something having a fixed location on the ground, which, among other things, includes Buildings, walls, Fences, billboards and poster panels, (and includes any Building, utility box, retaining wall, scaffolding, receptacle, mobile home, shed or portable shack).

Town is the corporation of the municipality of the Town of Nanton.

Trailer means a Vehicle or other wheeled conveyance designed to be pulled or towed by another Vehicle rather than powered by its own engine.

Unightly Condition means a condition of Property that is Visible to the Public, shows a substantial or ongoing lack of maintenance, repair, organization or upkeep, and may be detrimental to the surrounding area. Indicators include the accumulation, storage, placement, condition or appearance of waste, debris, Refuse, discarded materials, appliances, furniture, machinery, Vehicles, construction materials, uncontrolled vegetation or other objects or materials that are visibly Untidy, neglected or inconsistent with the Reasonable maintenance of the Property, having regard to the surrounding neighbourhood and applicable municipal Standards.

Untidy means a condition in which materials, equipment, possessions, Refuse or other items are visible to the public and are accumulated, scattered, disorganized or stored outside a Building without orderly arrangement or adequate Screening.

Vehicle means a device in, on or by which a Person or thing may be transported or drawn on a Highway and includes a combination of Vehicles but does not include a mobility aid (as defined by the Alberta Traffic Safety Act).

Violation Ticket means a ticket issued pursuant to the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, RSA 2000, c P-34, as amended or replaced from time to time, alleging that a Person has committed an offence under this Bylaw.

Weeds means Weeds as defined in the Alberta Weed Control Act and Regulation, including prohibited noxious Weeds and noxious Weeds.

3. NOISE:

- 3.1 No Person shall cause or permit any Noise that annoys or disturbs the peace of any other Person.
- 3.2 In determining what constitutes Noise likely to annoy or disturb the peace of other Persons, consideration may be given, but is not limited to:
- (a) type, volume and duration of the sound;
 - (b) time of day and day of the week;
 - (c) nature and use of the surrounding area;
 - (d) if the Noise is excessive, unnecessary, or unusual;
 - (e) any other relevant factor.
- 3.3 No Person shall permit Property that they own or control to be used so that Noise from the Property annoys or disturbs the peace of any other Person between the hours of 11:00 p.m. any day of the week and 6:00 a.m. the next day, excepting Sundays, which shall be to 9:00 a.m. unless a written exemption has been granted by the CAO or designate in accordance with Section 13.
- 3.4 No Owner or manager or other Person in charge of Premises where liquor is served to the public shall permit any Noise to emanate from such Premises such that it annoys or disturbs any Person outside the boundary of the Premises. Section 3.2 of this Bylaw applies to this provision.
- 3.5 Nothing in this Bylaw shall prevent the continual operation or carrying on of an industrial activity where the activity is one which:
- (a) is a permitted use; or
 - (b) is an approved discretionary use.
- 3.6 In the operation or carrying on of an industrial activity, the Person operating or carrying on that activity shall make no more Noise than is necessary in the normal method of performing or carrying on that activity.
- 3.7 No Person shall cause or permit any Construction Noise on Property that they own or control so that the Noise from the Property annoys or disturbs the peace of any other Person between the

hours of 9:00 p.m. any day of the week and 7:00 a.m. the next day, excepting Sundays, which shall be to 9:00 a.m.

- 3.8 Unless a written exemption has been granted by the CAO or designate in accordance with Section 13, no Person shall use, operate or allow to be used or operated any machinery or equipment so as to create Noise or a disturbance which may be heard in a Residential Building between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the next day, except Sundays which shall be to 9:00 a.m.
- 3.9 The provisions in Section 3.7 and 3.8 do not apply to work carried out by the Town, or by a contractor carrying out the instructions of the Town.
- 3.10 Nothing in this Section prohibits the use of Motorized Garden Tools or grass cutting devices on a golf course between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. any day of the week.

4. UNSIGHTLY / UNTIDY PROPERTY AND NUISANCE:

- 4.1 No Owner or Occupant shall cause or permit a Property to remain in an Unsightly, Untidy, Nuisance or condition that presents a risk to health or safety, including by:
- a) failing to cut, mow or otherwise Maintain grass, Weeds or other vegetation on the Property where the vegetation has become substantially overgrown, produces or disperses seed, encroaches onto adjoining Property or public Land, obstructs visibility, interferes with pedestrian or Vehicle movement, or provides shelter for Pests;
 - b) failing to cut, mow and Maintain the grass on any boulevard, and to prevent such grass from growing to such a height as to be unsightly, having regard to the height of the grass on adjacent or surrounding Premises;
 - c) failing to provide suitable ground cover or take other measures necessary to prevent soil erosion or the migration of soil, gravel or other material from the Property;
 - d) failing to control a noxious weed or destroy a prohibited noxious weed as required by the Weed Control Act, including on an adjoining boulevard and to the center of an adjoining lane or alley;
 - e) failing to manage the growth of trees or shrubs or other vegetation upon such Property or Premises to ensure that the growth does not cause any obstruction, interfere with or endanger any visibility of streets or Sidewalks, including signage for same, lines, poles, conduits, pipes, sewers or other works of the Town, or otherwise present a safety hazard for pedestrians or traffic;
 - f) allowing any infectious blight or disease of trees or other vegetation located on the Property to go uncontrolled or unchecked, including insect Pests;
 - g) allowing stagnant water to accumulate or remain on the Premises so as to create a potential breeding place for mosquitoes or other Pests;
 - h) causing or permitting smoke, dust, odour, fumes or other airborne matter to escape from the Property in a concentration or for a duration that unreasonably interferes with another Person's use or enjoyment of Property;
 - i) using any chemical, compound, product or substance for any purpose whatsoever without regard to the manufacturer's recommendations for use and safety precautions, or Provincial Regulations, that result in adverse effects to the environment or another Person;

- j) allowing excessive storage or accumulation or the failure to dispose of all forms of garbage, including but not limited to animal material, Building material, papers, packages, containers, bottles, cans, sewage, yard material, dirt, soil, gravel, rocks, sod, petroleum products, hazardous recyclables, substances and wastes as defined in the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* (Alberta), tires, boxes, scrap materials including metals and lumber, dilapidated furniture, appliances, machinery, machinery parts, or other similar materials or items;
 - k) allowing or permitting significant deterioration of improvements or portions of improvements, or the failure to Maintain any Structure in Good Repair, including accessory Buildings, Structures or Fences such that the Structure deteriorates, becomes unsightly or becomes a health or safety hazard;
 - l) failing to Fence or secure an excavation, culvert, ditch or other depression so that it does not become a danger to public safety;
 - m) allowing the storage or accumulation of Construction waste, other than waste placed in an appropriate waste container and covered as to prevent the material from being blown off the Property;
 - n) allowing the posting or exhibiting of posters, signs, billboards, placards, writings or pictures upon any Fence or wall on any Property, where the same are accumulated and become in a dilapidated and Unsightly Condition;
 - o) drawing, painting or writing of any signs or messages upon public or private Property, except with the prior permission of the Owner of the Property;
- 4.2 No Person shall cause, permit or undertake an activity on Town Property that creates a Nuisance, unsafe condition, Unsightly Condition or unreasonable interference with the public's use and enjoyment of that Property.
- 4.3 No Person shall cause, permit or undertake any Loitering, Panhandling, or Camping upon any Town Property.
- 4.4 Every Owner or Occupant shall Maintain the exterior of each Building and Structure on the Property in Good Repair, including by:
- a) keeping exterior walls, foundations and roofs structurally sound and weather-resistant;
 - b) repairing or replacing broken, missing, loose, rotted or substantially deteriorated siding, roofing, trim, stairs, railings, porches, balconies and other exterior components;
 - c) maintaining painted or otherwise finished surfaces so that peeling, flaking or substantially deteriorated finishes do not expose the underlying material to continued deterioration;
 - d) keeping windows, doors and other openings intact, properly fitted and capable of being securely closed;
 - e) replacing or securing broken windows and removing loose or broken glass;
 - f) maintaining eavestroughs, downspouts and drainage components so that water is not directed onto adjoining Property, a Sidewalk or other public area; and
 - g) keeping Fences, retaining walls and accessory Structures upright, stable and free of missing, broken or hazardous components.

- 4.5 No Owner or Occupant shall cause or permit any Residential, commercial or industrial Property to become or remain unsightly, Untidy, unsafe or in a condition that creates a Nuisance, or to be used for outdoor storage that is inconsistent with the approved use of the Property, the Land Use Bylaw or an applicable Development Permit, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing:
- a) store materials, supplies, inventory, equipment, machinery or parts outdoors except where such storage is incidental to or forms part of the approved use of the Property, and where permitted, ensure such items are stored within a designated area in an orderly and stable manner;
 - b) use suitable racks, bins, containers or other storage systems where necessary to prevent materials from being scattered or accumulated across the Property;
 - c) provide and Maintain Screening where outdoor storage is visible from a Highway, Public Place or adjoining Residential Property;
 - d) keep required yards, access routes, emergency access areas, parking areas and landscaped areas free from outdoor storage;
 - e) prevent Noise, vibration, light, glare, smoke, dust, fumes and odour generated by the business from unreasonably interfering with the use or enjoyment of adjoining Property; and
 - f) materials or equipment used in the lawful operation of a business are not Refuse solely because they are used, salvaged or awaiting reuse. However, they must be stored in an orderly manner, within a designated storage area, and Screened as required by this Bylaw.

5. MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR AND UNATTACHED TRAILERS

- 5.1 No Person may conduct any repair work on motor Vehicles, including mechanical repairs, auto body work, frame repair, collision repair, auto painting or modifications to the body or rebuilding of a motor Vehicle, on any site in a Residential district.
- 5.2 This provision shall not apply to routine maintenance or work done on any Vehicles owned, operated and registered in the name of the Owner or Occupant of Premises, provided that:
- a) The work is done in an area which is suitably screened;
 - b) The activity does not create a Nuisance or Noise complaints from the neighbourhood;
 - c) There is no escape of offensive, annoying or noxious odours, fumes or smoke from the site;
 - d) Vehicle fluids, oil, gasoline products or other hazardous materials are properly stored and disposed of and not swept or washed into lanes, streets, or down storm sewers;
 - e) All discarded Vehicle parts and materials are properly stored in a defined and enclosed area which is visually screened and/or are disposed of from the site in a timely manner, to the satisfaction of the CAO or designate;
 - f) No power washing of motor or power train is performed on the site; and
 - g) All Building and fire code regulations are met.
- 5.3 No Person shall permit more than one Inoperative Motor Vehicle on a Residential Property unless a written exemption has been granted by the CAO or designate in accordance with Section 13. Such Vehicle must be maintained or repaired.

- a) An Inoperative Motor Vehicle permitted under section 5.3 shall:
 - i. be owned by the Owner or Occupant of the Property;
 - ii. be located within a rear yard;
 - iii. be fully Screened from Public View;
 - iv. be stored on a stable surface;
 - v. not leak fuel, oil, coolant or another fluid;
 - vi. not create a safety hazard, fire hazard or Pest harbourage; and
 - vii. not be used to store Refuse or materials unrelated to the repair of that Vehicle.
 - b) An Inoperative Motor Vehicle shall not be stored on a front yard, boulevard, Highway, Sidewalk or public Property.
 - c) A fitted Vehicle cover does not, by itself, constitute Screening.
 - d) Nothing in this section permits Vehicle repair, storage or salvage as a home-based business unless authorized under the Land Use Bylaw.
 - e) This section does not apply to a Vehicle stored entirely within a fully enclosed Building.
- 5.4 On a commercial or industrial Property, no more than two inoperable motor Vehicles may be stored outdoors unless the storage of inoperable Vehicles is directly associated with a lawful business operating on the Property. Any inoperable motor Vehicle stored outdoors shall be located in a rear or interior side yard and screened from view from a Highway, Public Place, and adjoining Residential Property. This limitation does not apply to approved automotive repair, Vehicle sales, towing, salvage, recycling, or similar businesses where inoperable Vehicle storage is part of the approved use and complies with the Land Use Bylaw and applicable development permits.
- 5.5 No Person shall park or leave a Trailer on a Highway unless the Trailer is securely attached to a motor Vehicle capable of safely drawing it.
- 5.6 Section 5.5 does not apply where a Trailer has been temporarily detached because of an unexpected mechanical failure and cannot reasonably be removed immediately, provided that the Trailer is repaired or removed as soon as reasonably possible and no later than twelve (12) hours after being detached.
- 5.7 Notwithstanding section 5.6, a Peace Officer may, in accordance with section 77 of the Traffic Safety Act, cause a Trailer to be immediately removed and stored at a suitable location where it is parked or left in contravention of this Bylaw, obstructs or may obstruct traffic, interferes with visibility, lacks adequate reflective or warning devices, or otherwise creates a safety hazard.
- 5.8 All towing, removal and storage costs associated with a Trailer removed under section 5.7 are the responsibility of the Owner or Person responsible for the Trailer.

6. CONSTRUCTION SITES:

- 6.1 An Owner of a Property or Premises under Construction shall ensure that Building materials and waste materials on the Premises are removed or contained and secured in such a manner that prevents such material from being blown off or scattered from the Property.
- 6.2 An Owner of a Property or Premises under Construction shall ensure that waste Building material on the Premises is removed within a Reasonable time by means of appropriate containers.

6.3 An Owner of a Property or Premises under Construction shall ensure that the Construction site is maintained in a safe and secure condition, including that:

- a) open excavations, trenches, holes and other hazardous areas are adequately Fenced, barricaded, covered or otherwise secured to prevent unauthorized access;
- b) appropriate warning signs are posted and maintained where a hazard may not be readily apparent;
- c) fencing, barricades, signs and other safety measures remain secure and visible for the duration of the hazard;
- d) Construction materials, equipment and debris are stored in a stable manner that does not create a danger to neighbouring Properties or the public; and
- e) public Sidewalks, streets, lanes and other access routes adjoining the Property are kept free from Construction materials, debris and hazards.

7. GRAFFITI:

7.1 Every Property Owner shall ensure that Graffiti placed on their Premises is removed, painted over, or otherwise permanently blocked from Public View, within 30 days of the placement of the Graffiti.

7.2 In prosecuting an offence under 7.1, the consent of the Property Owner of any Premises to place Graffiti thereon shall not be a defence under this Bylaw.

8. ADDRESSING:

8.1 The Owner or Occupant of any Premises shall display the civic address number assigned to the Property, pursuant to the current Town of Nanton Street Numbering Bylaw, at a location plainly visible from the street in front of the Premises to which the Property is addressed.

8.2 The Owner or Occupant of a Premises that has access to a laneway, shall display the number assigned to the Property, pursuant to the current Town of Nanton Street Numbering Bylaw, at a location plainly visible from the laneway.

9. ENFORCEMENT:

9.1 A Peace Officer may enter onto or upon any Property to inspect for compliance with this Bylaw in accordance with section 542 of the Municipal Government Act.

- a) The Peace Officer shall provide the Owner or Occupant with Reasonable notice before entering the Property, except where otherwise authorized by law.
- b) The Peace Officer may document the condition of the Property and any apparent contravention.

- 9.2 Except where immediate enforcement is warranted, a Peace Officer may use the following voluntary compliance process before issuing a remedial Order:
- a) provide the Owner or Occupant with written notice describing the apparent contravention and the action required to correct it;
 - b) allow seven (7) days from the date of the notice to correct the contravention;
 - c) reinspect the Property after the seven-day period; and
 - d) proceed with a remedial Order under section 9.5 if the contravention has not been corrected.
- 9.3 A Peace Officer may extend the voluntary compliance period where the nature of the work, weather, contractor availability or another relevant circumstance prevents compliance within seven (7) days.
- a) The extension must be granted in writing.
 - b) The extension must specify the new compliance date.
 - c) An extension shall not be granted where the condition creates an immediate risk to health, safety, Property or the environment.
- 9.4 A Peace Officer may proceed directly to a remedial Order without using the voluntary compliance process where:
- a) the contravention creates an immediate risk to health, safety, Property or the environment;
 - b) the Owner or Occupant has previously failed to correct the same or a similar contravention;
 - c) the Owner or Occupant refuses to cooperate.
- 9.5 A Peace Officer may issue a written Order under section 545 or 546 of the Municipal Government Act requiring a Person responsible for a contravention to remedy it.
- a) The Order shall identify the Property and the Person responsible for the contravention.
 - b) The Order shall describe the contravention and specify the action or measures required to correct it.
 - c) The Order shall require compliance within fourteen (14) days after it is received, unless a different period is warranted by the nature or severity of the contravention.
 - d) The Order shall state that the Town may undertake the required work at the expense of the Person if the Order is not complied with.
 - e) The Order shall explain the right to request Council's review of the Order.
 - f) The Order shall include any other information required by the Municipal Government Act.
- 9.6 A Peace Officer may extend the compliance deadline specified in an Order where the Person has demonstrated Reasonable efforts toward compliance and no immediate risk exists.
- a) The extension must be granted in writing before the existing compliance deadline expires.

- b) The extension must specify the new compliance date.
 - c) The extension must not be contrary to the Municipal Government Act.
- 9.7 A Person who receives an Order under section 545 or 546 of the Municipal Government Act may request that Council review the Order by delivering written notice to the Town within fourteen (14) days after receiving the Order.
- a) Council may confirm, vary, substitute or cancel the Order in accordance with section 547 of the Municipal Government Act.
 - b) A Person affected by Council's decision may appeal the decision to the Court of King's Bench within the time and on the grounds permitted by section 548 of the Municipal Government Act.
- 9.8 After the compliance deadline has passed, a Peace Officer may conduct a final inspection to determine whether the Order has been complied with.
- 9.9 If an Order has not been complied with, the Town may take the actions or measures necessary to remedy the contravention where:
- a) the Order stated that the Town could undertake the required work at the expense of the Person;
 - b) the compliance deadline has expired;
 - c) the period for requesting Council's review has expired; and
 - d) any review or appeal has been finally determined in a manner that permits the Town to proceed.
- 9.10 The Town may arrange for a contractor or other qualified Person to complete the actions or measures required to remedy the contravention.
- a) A Peace Officer or other Person authorized by the Town may enter the Property to undertake or supervise the remedial work where permitted by law.
 - b) No Person shall obstruct or interfere with anyone lawfully undertaking or supervising the remedial work.
- 9.11 All contractor charges, labour costs, equipment costs, disposal costs, administrative remediation fees and other expenses incurred by the Town are amounts owing to the Town by the Person responsible for the contravention.
- a) The administrative remediation fees established in Schedule "A" are payable in addition to the Town's actual remediation costs.
 - b) Unpaid amounts may be recovered as a civil debt or added to the tax roll of the Property where authorized by the Municipal Government Act.
- 9.12 If the Town sells all or part of a Building, Structure or improvement removed under this Bylaw, the proceeds shall be applied to the expenses and costs of removal, and any remaining proceeds shall be paid to the Person legally entitled to receive them.
- 9.13 The Town may register a caveat under the Land Titles Act against the Certificate of Title for a Property that is the subject of an Order where authorized by the Municipal Government Act.

- a) The Town shall discharge the caveat when the Order has been complied with or the Town has completed the actions or measures required by the Order.
- 9.14 An Order or other enforcement document may be served on an Owner, Occupant or other Person by:
- a) personally delivering it to the Person;
- b) leaving it at the Person's residence with an individual who appears to be at least eighteen (18) years of age;
- c) sending it by registered mail to the Person's last known address; or
- d) posting it in a conspicuous place on the Property where the Person appears to be evading service or no other method of service is reasonably available.
- 9.15 An Order sent by registered mail is deemed to have been received five (5) days after it was mailed.

10. PENALTIES:

- 10.1 Notwithstanding whether an Order has been issued as per this Bylaw, any Person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable to penalty as set out in Schedule "A", herein.
- 10.2 Under no circumstances shall any Person contravening any provision of this Bylaw be subject to the penalty of imprisonment.

11. MUNICIPAL TAGS:

- 11.1 A Peace Officer or CAO is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a Municipal Tag to any Person whom they have reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this Bylaw.
- 11.2 A Municipal Tag shall be served upon such a Person in the same manner as outlined in Section 9 of this Bylaw.
- 11.3 The Municipal Tag shall be in a form approved by the CAO and shall state:
- the name of the Owner and/or Occupant of the Property;
 - a description of the Property;
 - the offence;
 - the appropriate penalty for the offence as specified in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw;
 - that the penalty shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the Municipal Tag;
 - and
 - any other information as may be required by the CAO.
- 11.4 Where a contravention of this Bylaw is of a continuing nature, further Municipal Tags may be issued by the Peace Officer, provided that no more than one Municipal Tag shall be issued for each day that the contravention continues.

- 11.5 Where a Municipal Tag is issued pursuant to this Bylaw, the Person to whom the Municipal Tag is issued may, in lieu of being prosecuted for the offence, pay to the Town of Nanton the penalty specified on the Municipal Tag.
- 11.6 Nothing in this Bylaw shall prevent a Peace Officer from immediately issuing a Violation Ticket for the mandatory Court appearance of any Person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw.

12. VIOLATION TICKET:

- 12.1 If the penalty specified on a Municipal Tag is not paid within the prescribed time period, then a Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a Violation Ticket pursuant to Part II of the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, RSA 2000, c. P-34, as amended or repealed and replaced from time to time.
- 12.2 Notwithstanding Section 11.1 of this Bylaw, a Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to immediately issue a Violation Ticket to any Person whom the Peace Officer has Reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this Bylaw.
- 12.3 Where there is a specified penalty listed for an offence in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw, the amount is the specified penalty for the offence.
- 12.4 Notwithstanding the specified or minimum penalties set out in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw:
- (a) if a Person is convicted twice of the same provision of this Bylaw within a twenty-four-month period, the minimum penalty for the second conviction shall be the amount of the specified penalty for a first offence; and
 - (b) if a Person is convicted three or more times of the same provision of this Bylaw within a twenty-four-month period, the minimum penalty for the third and subsequent convictions shall be double the amount of the specified penalty for such first offence.

13. EXEMPTIONS & EXCEPTIONS:

- 13.1 The provisions of this Bylaw shall not be interpreted to prevent bona fide and permitted commercial, industrial, agricultural, Construction, demolition, renovation, landscaping, clean-up, storage or other related activities from being carried out on, or in relation to, a Premises, provided that all Reasonable steps are taken to minimize the duration of any Noise that may annoy or disturb Persons that may be affected by such Noise.
- 13.2 Where a provision of this Bylaw expressly permits an exemption to be granted by the CAO or designate, a Person may submit a written request to the CAO or designate identifying the provision from which the exemption is requested, the reason for the request, the duration of the requested exemption and any other information required by the CAO or designate.
- 13.3 In considering a request for an exemption, the CAO or designate may consider public safety, potential impacts on neighbouring Properties or the public, the nature and duration of the activity, Reasonable alternatives, proposed mitigation measures and any other relevant circumstances.
- 13.4 The CAO or designate may approve, approve with conditions or refuse an exemption request and may establish the period during which an approved exemption remains in effect.
- 13.5 An exemption may only be granted where a provision of this Bylaw expressly authorizes the CAO or designate to grant an exemption.

- 13.6 The CAO or designate may revoke or amend an exemption where the conditions of the exemption are not being complied with, circumstances have changed, or the activity creates an unreasonable Nuisance or risk to health, safety, Property or the environment.

14. MISCELLANEOUS:

- 14.1 Nothing in this Bylaw relieves a Person from complying with any Federal or Provincial law or regulation, or other Bylaw, or any requirements of any lawful permit, order or license.
- 14.2 The levying and payment of any penalty or fine for any period provided in this Bylaw shall not relieve a Person from the necessity of paying any fees, charges or costs from which that Person is liable under the provisions of this Bylaw.
- 14.3 Every provision of this Bylaw is independent of all other provisions and, if any provision of this Bylaw is declared invalid for any reason by a Court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions of this Bylaw shall remain valid and enforceable.
- 14.4 The Town is not required to enforce every breach or contravention of this Bylaw. In deciding whether or not to enforce the Bylaw, the Town may take into account any practical concerns or considerations, including but not limited to the nature and extent of the breach or contravention, any financial or budgetary considerations and the availability of Personnel or human resources.
- 14.5 All Schedules attached to this Bylaw shall form part of this Bylaw.
- 14.6 The use of nouns and pronouns within this Bylaw are neutral and, accordingly, any reference to one gender includes the other. Also, words in the singular include the plural and conversely, words in the plural include the singular.

15. EXCESSIVE PROTECTIVE ELEMENTS:

15.1 General Prohibition:

No Person shall construct, affix or place or permit the Construction, affixing or placement of Excessive Protective Elements on Land or Premises.

15.2 Exemptions:

- a) The following are exempt from Section 15.1:
- i. Financial institutions in commercially districted areas;
 - ii. Lands owned or occupied by the Federal or Provincial Government;
 - iii. Lands owned or occupied by the Town of Nanton or other municipal entities; and
 - iv. Land specifically exempted by the CAO or designate in accordance with this Section and Section 13.
- b) A Person requesting an exemption from Section 15.1 of this Bylaw shall provide the CAO or designate with the following:

- i. Proof of ownership of the Land and where the Person requesting the exemption is not the Owner, authorization from the Owner to request the exemption;
 - ii. Complete details of the location of the Land, including municipal address, legal description, the existing use and nature of the use (Residential, commercial, industrial or farm), and a scaled drawing showing the Land and all Structures on the Property;
 - iii. A detailed explanation shall be included of the exemption(s) requested and the rationale for requesting such an exemption(s). This should include details of the proposed application of Excessive Protective Elements along with an explanation of how that application of the Excessive Protective Elements is rationally connected to the purpose for which the exemption is being sought and the impact on the use and enjoyment of neighbouring Property; and
 - iv. Any other information or documents as may be required by the CAO or designate.
- c) In determining whether to exempt any Land from Section 15.1 of this Bylaw, the CAO or designate may consider:
- i. the reason, necessity and rationale for the exemption(s) requested;
 - ii. the nature and extent of the specific exemption(s) requested;
 - iii. whether adjacent Land Owners or Occupants have consented to the exemption or any conditions that may be attached; and
 - iv. the views of local law enforcement.
- d) The CAO or designate may revoke an exemption under this section at any time, for any reason.
- e) An exemption granted under this Bylaw is Personal, not assignable, does not run with the Land, and immediately expires upon the sale of the Land or any change in occupancy or corporate control of the tenancy or Ownership of the Land.
- f) The CAO or designate's decision pursuant to Section 15 of this Bylaw shall be considered final.

16. EFFECTIVE DATE AND READINGS

16.1 This Bylaw repeals Bylaw No. 1299/18, Bylaw No. 1373/23, Bylaw No. 1405/25 and any amendments thereto.

16.2 Read a **first** time this ____ day of _____, 2026.

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16.3 Read a **second** time this ____ day of _____, 2026.

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16.4 Read a **third** time this ____ day of _____, 2026.

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SCHEDULE A
Community Bylaw No. 1433/26 Specified Penalties – Municipal Tag

Offence	Section	First offence	Second offence within 24 months	Third and subsequent offences within 24 months
Cause or permit noise that annoys or disturbs another Person	3.1 and 3.3	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Permit noise from premises where liquor is served	3.4	\$1,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00
Cause or permit excessive industrial or construction noise	3.6 and 3.7	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Operate or permit noise from machinery or equipment during prohibited hours	3.8	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Cause or permit an Unsightly Condition, Untidy condition, nuisance or unsafe condition on Property	4.1	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	\$5,000.00
Cause or permit a nuisance, unsafe condition or Unsightly Condition on Town Property	4.2	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	\$5,000.00
Loiter, Panhandle or Camp on Town Property	4.3	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Fail to maintain the exterior of a Building or Structure in Good Repair	4.4	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	\$5,000.00
Cause or permit improper outdoor storage or a nuisance on residential, commercial or industrial Property	4.5	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	\$5,000.00
Conduct motor vehicle repair in contravention of this Bylaw	5.1 and 5.2	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Store an Inoperative Motor Vehicle on residential Property in contravention of this Bylaw	5.3	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Store an Inoperative Motor Vehicle on commercial or industrial Property in contravention of this Bylaw	5.4	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Park or leave an unattached Trailer on a Highway	5.5	\$150.00	\$300.00	\$600.00
Fail to repair or remove a Trailer within twelve hours following an unexpected mechanical failure	5.6	\$150.00	\$300.00	\$600.00
Leave a Trailer that obstructs traffic, interferes with visibility, lacks adequate warning devices or creates a safety hazard	5.7	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Fail to contain, secure or remove construction materials or waste	6.1 and 6.2	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Fail to maintain a construction site in a safe and secure condition	6.3	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Fail to remove, cover or otherwise block graffiti from public view	7.1	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Fail to display a civic address number	8.1 and 8.2	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00

Obstruct or interfere with a Person lawfully undertaking or supervising remedial work	9.10(b)	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Construct, affix, place or permit Excessive Protective Elements	15.1	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00

Administrative Remediation Fees

Remedial action for the same Property within 24 months	Fee
First remedial action	\$50.00
Second remedial action	\$75.00
Third and each subsequent remedial action	\$100.00

NOTE: For the purposes of determining whether an offence is a second, third or subsequent offence, the applicable period is twenty-four (24) months.

Administrative remediation fees are payable in addition to all contractor charges, labour, equipment, disposal and other costs incurred by the Town.

The payment of a specified penalty or administrative remediation fee does not limit the Town from recovering its costs or taking any other enforcement action authorized by this Bylaw or an enactment.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: September 21, 2026

Agenda Item: 5.1

Franchise fees

BACKGROUND / IMPLICATIONS:

Annually, the Town is given the ability to review franchise fees and make changes if appropriate as part of the franchise agreements with Fortis and Atco.

In 2022 council approved policy No. 13-348-22/11/07 which sets out the parameters around changes to franchise fees. Administration has received the annual notice from Fortis and Atco for the 2027 calendar year and has prepared this brief outlining its recommendation. As per the policy, the average of all franchise fees across the province is to be calculated and then compared to the Town's current fee. If the provincial average is more than half a percentage point higher than the Nanton fee, a change should be implemented. If the provincial average is less than half a percentage point different than the Nanton fee, then no change is necessary.

For 2026, the Fortis franchise fee average has been calculated at 10.26% which is up slightly from the 10.07% that it was in 2025. The Town of Nanton fortis franchise fee currently sits at 10% which was just put in place at the start of this year and was previously at 9%. Based on the policy we are within the range where no change is needed for the following year.

The Atco franchise fee for 2026 has been calculated at 20.29% and this is also a small increase up from the 2025 average of 20.04%. The Town of Nanton Atco franchise fee currently sits at 20% and this was also just changed at the start of 2026 from the previous 19%. Again, based on policy the current franchise fee is within range, and no change is therefore needed for the upcoming year.

Council of course can vary from the policy and approve a change if they choose. A request to change the franchise fee has to be received by Atco by October 23 and for Fortis the request to change has to be received by November 13. In terms of franchise fee revenue, the projected revenue for 2027 at the current rates are:

Fortis at 10%	= \$214,417
Atco at 20%	= <u>\$161,000</u>
Total	= \$378,417

In comparison, a 1% increase to both rates could look as follows:

Fortis at 11%	= \$235,858
Atco at 21%	= <u>\$168,630</u>
Total	= \$404,488

As one can see, there is \$29,071 more in revenue that could be made by increasing the fees. However, the actual franchise fees generated are typically higher than the initial estimate by 3-4%. In 2026 franchise fee revenue is currently projected to be \$392,716 and this is based off an original estimate from Atco and Fortis in the fall of 2025 of \$375,620. The actual/final 2026 revenues could vary slightly of course from this but based on past years the revenue for 2027 at the current rate is likely to be a bit higher than the estimate.

From a budget perspective, additional revenue is always welcome but as we know the revenue is generated by a fee that Atco and Fortis charge to its Nanton customers – approximately \$185 per year depending on consumption. Any change would correspondingly affect ratepayers. It's important to note though the fee is a little different than the taxes the municipality levies since all users of power and gas are charged this fee – there are several properties exempt from municipal taxes that pay the franchise fee.

As a reminder, in 2022 council also implemented a change to the reserve policy that created the Nanton Community Sustainability reserve. This came about as an increase to the Atco franchise fee was implemented at the start of 2023 and this increased revenue would go into this new reserve. Per the new policy, 10% of franchise revenue will go to this reserve, up to a maximum of \$20,000. Also, 20% of franchise fees goes to the public realm reserve. We have again reached the annual ceiling contribution of \$20,000 for the new reserve as well as \$40,000 for the public realm reserve. Council does have the ability to change the percentage or amount of franchise fee revenue that goes to these two reserves.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That council makes no changes to the Fortis or Atco franchise fee for 2027 in line with policy no. 13-348-22/11/07

DECISION OPTIONS:

☒ #1 Direct administration to hold the Atco and Fortis franchise fees at the current rates for the 2027 calendar year.

☐ #2 – Council approve an increase the Fortis franchise fee for 2027 to ___% and an increase to Atco franchise fees for 2027 to ___%

☐ #3 – Council approve a decrease in Fortis franchise fees for 2027 to ___% and a decrease to Atco franchise fees for 2027 to ___%

Financial (GL# / Amount) : N/A

Communications/PR: N/A

Applicable Legislation: N/A

Attachments: Province wide Fortis and Atco franchise fees

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Date: September 14, 2026

APPROVED BY: Tara Vandervalk, Chief Administrative Officer

NANTON STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT			
☐	RELIABLE INFRASTRUCTURE	☐	LIVABLE COMMUNITY
☒	FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	☐	PARTNERSHIPS
Strategic Plan Alignment: Fiscal Responsibility & Economic Development – 2.1 Culture of Fiscal Discipline: Annual review of franchise fees supports responsible financial decision-making, sustainable municipal revenues and consideration of impacts on ratepayers.			



MUNICIPAL FRANCHISE FEE RIDERS

Approved in AUC Decision: Decision 30236-D01-2025; Decision 30454-D01-2025;
Decision 30673-D01-2026; Decision 30711-D01-2026;
Decision 30673-D02-2026

Effective Date: May 1, 2026

Availability

Effective for all consumption, estimated or actual, on and after the first of the month following Commission approval, the following franchise fee riders apply to each rate class.

Price Adjustment

A percentage surcharge per the table below will be added to the total distribution tariff, including both the transmission and distribution charges, and excluding any Riders, calculated for every Point of Service within each Municipality and will be billed to the applicable Retailer.

FortisAlberta will pay to each Municipality each month, in accordance with the franchise agreements between FortisAlberta and the Municipalities or an agreement with a non-municipality, the franchise fee revenue collected from the Retailers.

Municipality Code	Municipality	Rider	Effective	Municipality Code	Municipality	Rider	Effective
03-0002	Acme	3%	2013/07/01	03-0041	Boyle	20%	2021/01/01
01-0003	Airdrie	20%	2021/04/01	03-0042	Breton	20%	2015/01/01
03-0005	Alix	8.50%	2019/01/01	01-0043	Brooks	17%	2026/04/01
03-0004	Alberta Beach	8%	2021/01/01	02-0044	Bruderheim	4%	2024/04/01
03-0007	Amisk	0%	2014/01/01	02-0047	Calmar	20%	2013/07/01
02-0011	Athabasca	20%	2024/01/01	01-0048	Camrose	18%	2025/04/01
04-0009	Argentia Beach	0%	2017/01/01	02-0050	Canmore	18%	2026/01/01
03-0010	Arrowwood	12%	2015/07/01	03-0054	Carmangay	15%	2021/01/01
02-0387	Banff	8%	2025/01/01	03-0055	Caroline	12%	2021/01/01
07-0164	Banff Park	8%	2026/01/01	02-0056	Carstairs	10%	2015/01/01
03-0363	Barnwell	15%	2025/01/01	03-0061	Champion	15%	2015/04/01
03-0013	Barons	5%	2015/04/01	03-0062	Chauvin	11%	2016/01/01
02-0014	Barrhead	16%	2026/04/01	01-0356	Chestermere	11.50%	2014/01/01
02-0016	Bashaw	2%	2021/01/01	03-0064	Chipman	0%	2016/01/01
02-0017	Bassano	14.40%	2019/01/01	02-0065	Claresholm	9%	2026/01/01
03-0018	Bawlf	9%	2025/01/01	03-0066	Clive	11%	2023/01/01
01-0019	Beaumont	17.25%	2020/01/01	03-0068	Clyde	18%	2024/01/01
03-0022	Beiseker	3.50%	2019/01/01	02-0069	Coaldale	20%	2025/04/01
02-0024	Bentley	10%	2019/01/01	02-0360	Coalhurst	7.5%	2023/01/01
04-0026	Betula Beach	0%	2017/01/01	02-0070	Cochrane	17%	2020/01/01
03-0029	Bittern Lake	9%	2026/01/01	03-0076	Coutts	3%	2017/01/01
02-0031	Blackfalds	20%	2013/10/01	03-0077	Cowley	5%	2016/01/01
02-0034	Bon Accord	19%	2022/01/01	03-0078	Cremona	10%	2016/01/01
02-0039	Bow Island	17%	2024/01/01	02-0079	Crossfield	17%	2023/01/01
02-0040	Bowden	15%	2017/01/01	09-0361	Crowsnest Pass	16%	2016/01/01

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04-0080	Crystal Springs	0%	2016/01/01	01-0194	Lacombe	17.63%	2024/01/01
03-0081	Czar	5%	2013/10/01	04-0196	Lakeview	2%	2016/01/01
02-0082	Daysland	12%	2026/01/01	02-0197	Lamont	7.50%	2020/01/01
02-0086	Devon	20%	2026/01/01	04-0378	Larkspur	3%	2020/04/01
02-7662	Diamond Valley	10%	2023/01/01	01-0200	Leduc	18%	2026/05/01
02-0088	Didsbury	17%	2016/01/01	02-0202	Legal	20%	2024/01/01
02-0091	Drayton Valley	13.40%	2025/01/01	06-0204	Lethbridge County	5%	2026/04/01
03-0093	Duchess	15%	2018/01/01	03-0207	Lomond	20%	2026/01/01
02-0095	Eckville	10%	2015/01/01	03-0208	Longview	17%	2017/01/01
03-0096	Edberg	13%	2021/01/01	03-0209	Lougheed	9%	2026/01/01
03-0097	Edgerton	15%	2022/01/01	02-0211	Magrath	15%	2023/01/01
02-0100	Edson	6.70%	2026/01/01	04-0210	Ma-Me-O Beach	0%	2016/01/01
03-0109	Ferintosh	11%	2016/01/01	02-0215	Mayerthorpe	14.75%	2025/01/01
03-0112	Foremost	7%	2016/01/01	04-0359	Mewatha Beach	2%	2016/10/01
02-0115	Fort Macleod	15%	2018/10/01	02-0218	Milk River	12%	2017/01/01
01-0117	Fort Saskatchewan	0%	2013/10/01	02-0219	Millet	19%	2026/01/01
02-0124	Gibbons	10%	2013/01/01	03-0220	Milo	20%	2017/01/01
03-0128	Glenwood	5%	2022/04/01	02-0224	Morinville	20%	2013/07/01
04-0129	Golden Days	0%	2017/01/01	04-0230	Nakamun Park	0%	2013/10/01
02-0135	Granum	0%	2024/02/01	02-0232	Nanton	10%	2026/01/01
04-0134	Grandview	0%	2016/01/01	02-0236	Nobleford	5%	2023/01/01
04-0138	Gull Lake	0%	2016/01/01	03-0233	New Norway	6%	2009/01/01
04-0358	Half Moon Bay	0%	2021/01/01	04-0237	Norglenwold	5%	2015/01/01
02-0143	Hardisty	9.50%	2021/01/01	04-0385	Norris Beach	0%	2016/01/01
03-0144	Hay Lakes	9%	2021/01/01	02-0238	Okotoks	20%	2021/01/01
02-0148	High River	20%	2015/07/01	02-0239	Olds	20%	2025/01/01
03-0149	HillSpring	5%	2014/01/01	02-0240	Onoway	10.50%	2024/01/01
02-0151	Hinton	11.73%	2022/01/01	04-0374	Parkland Beach	0%	2015/01/01
03-0152	Holden	4%	2016/01/01	02-0248	Penhold	19%	2014/01/01
03-0153	Hughenden	5%	2016/01/01	02-0249	Picture Butte	11%	2022/01/01
03-0154	Hussar	12.50%	2017/01/01	02-0250	Pincher Creek	20%	2024/01/01
02-0180	Innisfail	18%	2025/04/01	04-0253	Point Alison	0%	2017/01/23
03-0182	Irma	20%	2015/01/01	04-0256	Poplar Bay	0%	2016/01/01
02-0183	Iricana	8%	2023/05/01	02-0257	Provost	20%	2015/01/01
04-0185	Island Lake	0%	2016/01/01	02-0261	Raymond	16%	2022/01/01
04-0186	Itaska Beach	0%	2017/10/01	02-0265	Redwater	12%	2026/04/01
04-0379	Jarvis Bay	0%	2015/10/08	02-0266	Rimbey	20%	2022/01/01
04-0187	Kapasivin	0%	2018/04/01	02-0268	Rocky Mtn House	16.80%	2025/01/01
02-0188	Killam	10%	2024/01/01	03-0270	Rockyford	7%	2024/01/01
				03-0272	Rosemary	15.50%	2023/01/01

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04-0273	Ross Haven	0%	2016/01/01	02-0310	Sylvan Lake	18%	2023/01/01
03-0276	Ryley	3%	2016/01/01	02-0311	Taber	18%	2020/07/01
04-0279	Seba Beach	4%	2014/01/01	02-0315	Thorsby	20%	2014/01/01
02-0280	Sedgewick	13%	2026/01/01	02-0318	Tofield	5%	2015/01/01
04-0283	Silver Sands	3%	2018/01/01	04-0324	Val Quentin	0%	2016/01/01
04-0369	South Baptiste	0%	2005/05/01	02-0326	Vauxhall	10%	2026/01/01
04-0288	South View	5%	2026/01/01	02-0331	Viking	8%	2013/01/01
03-0099	Spring Lake, V.	0%	2025/04/01	02-0333	Vulcan	20%	2013/10/01
01-0291	Spruce Grove	20%	2016/01/01	03-0364	Wabamun	10%	2017/01/01
01-0292	St. Albert	15%	2023/01/01	02-0335	Wainwright	14.5%	2026/01/01
03-0295	Standard	4%	2024/04/01	07-0159	Waterton Park	8%	2018/10/01
02-0297	Stavely	6%	2021/01/01	03-0338	Warburg	10%	2015/01/01
03-0300	Stirling	12%	2019/01/01	03-0339	Warner	7%	2024/01/01
02-0301	Stony Plain	20%	2013/01/01	04-0344	West Cove	3%	2025/01/01
15-0523	Strathcona County – Sherwood Park	0%	2026/01/01	02-0345	Westlock	16.25%	2024/01/01
02-0303	Strathmore	20%	2020/07/01	01-0347	Wetaskiwin	17%	2026/01/01
03-0304	Strome	9%	2022/01/01	04-0371	Whispering Hills	5%	2016/10/01
02-0307	Sundre	12%	2024/01/01	02-0350	Whitecourt	7.09%	2026/01/01
04-0386	Sunrise Beach	0%	2018/01/01	04-0354	Yellowstone	13%	2025/01/01
04-0308	Sunset Point	10%	2017/01/01				

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Method A. - Applied to gross revenues*.

Municipalities	%	Effective Date	Municipalities	%	Effective Date	Municipalities	%	Effective Date
Alberta Beach	8.00	20/03/01	Fort McMurray	10.00	21/03/01	Nampa	16.84	04/04/22
Alix	12.00	19/01/01	Fort Saskatchewan	0.00	04/09/28	Onoway	10.50	24/01/01
Amisk	9.10	00/04/18	Fox Creek	15.00	20/01/01	Oyen	30.00	08/01/17
Andrew	12.00	24/05/01	Gasoline Alley	19.50	26/07/01	Peace River	32.00	22/01/01
Argentia Beach	0.00	10/07/09	Gibbons	30.00	05/10/01	Point Alison	15.00	07/10/12
Ardrossan	22.00	26/08/01	Girouxville	26.00	19/01/01	Ponoka	31.00	24/02/01
Bashaw	13.00	23/01/01	Golden Days	25.00	04/06/15	Provost	22.00	13/01/01
Beaverlodge	11.50	20/01/01	Grande Prairie	31.63	26/03/01	Red Deer	35.00	17/01/01
Bentley	12.00	20/01/01	Grimshaw	30.00	12/02/14	Rimbey	26.00	18/01/01
Berwyn	30.00	24/12/01	Hardisty	22.00	18/01/01	Rocky Mtn. House	30.00	15/01/01
Blitern Lake	9.00	26/02/01	Hines Creek	30.00	05/08/02	Rycroft	30.00	16/02/10
Blackfalds	35.00	10/01/01	Hinton ***	12.00	23/01/01	Ryley	10.00	10/06/03
Bon Accord	23.00	22/01/01	Holden	3.50	14/01/01	Seba Beach	20.00	07/04/24
Breton	15.00	17/01/01	Hughenden	10.98	00/07/18	Sexsmith	25.00	07/04/24
Bruderheim	20.00	21/01/01	Hythe	12.00	18/02/01	Sherwood Park	22.00	10/07/01
Camrose	32.00	25/04/01	Innisfree	25.00	08/09/08	Silver Beach	20.00	05/03/24
Caroline	35.00	21/01/01	Irma	20.00	04/10/15	Slave Lake	29.50	24/01/01
Chipman	0.00	06/05/12	Itaska	12.00	04/09/21	Spirit River	24.00	01/06/18
Clive	17.17	23/01/01	Jasper Muni	19.10	22/01/01	Spruce Grove	35.00	23/01/01
Clyde	11.00	24/01/01	Jasper Ntl Pk	17.10	06/09/01	St. Albert	25.00	25/01/01
Cold Lake	15.50	24/01/01	Kitscoty	15.00	24/01/01	Stony Plain	35.00	21/02/01
Consort	22.00	04/05/07	Lacombe	31.00	25/12/01	Swan Hills	10.00	21/01/01
Coronation	16.50	26/01/01	Lamont	35.00	04/05/10	Sylvan Lake	32.00	23/01/01
Czar	11.84	00/04/27	Lavoy	16.61	09/10/23	Thorsby	35.00	23/03/01
Donnelly	30.00	05/09/06	Legal	25.00	22/01/01	Tofield	10.00	04/05/04
Drayton								
Valley***	22.00	04/10/22	Lloydminster	28.50	25/01/01	Vegreville	33.00	04/10/12
Eaglesham	10.00	25/01/01	Lougheed	15.00	12/09/17	Vermilion	22.00	21/01/01
Eckville	20.00	16/03/01	Mannville	25.00	20/01/01	Veteran	6.00	17/01/01
Edgerton	15.00	22/01/01	Mayerthorpe	20.20	24/01/01	Viking	21.51	04/09/29
Edmonton	35.00	19/01/01	McLennan	24.00	05/05/19	Wabamun	15.00	18/06/01
Edson***	22.54	23/01/01	Millet	26.00	26/01/01	Warburg	10.00	09/01/01
Entwistle	17.32	10/02/22	Minburn	16.61	16/01/01	Wembly	25.00	08/07/01
Fairview	19.31	23/01/01	Mirror	12.60	06/07/13	Wetaskiwin	33.00	21/01/01
Falher	18.00	23/01/01	Mundare	23.00	20/04/01	Whitecourt ***	33.55	24/01/01

* Gross Revenues are ATCO Gas total charges, less GST.

*** Includes a \$10,000 maximum annual allowable assessment (Max) on any individual metered account.

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Method A. - Applied to gross revenues*.

Method C. - Applied to gross revenues* and Rider "E".

<u>Effective</u>			<u>Effective</u>			<u>Effective</u>		
<u>Municipalities –</u>		<u>Date</u>	<u>Municipalities</u>		<u>Date</u>	<u>Municipalities –</u>		<u>Date</u>
<u>Method A</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>yymmdd</u>	<u>Method A</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>yymmdd</u>	<u>Method C</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>yymmdd</u>
Acme	20.00	04/03/10	Foremost	21.00	04/01/21	Calgary**	11.11	25/03/01
Airdrie	35.00	26/06/01	Fort Macleod	12.50	01/10/02			
Banff	35.00	24/02/01	Gasoline Alley	19.50	20/05/01			
Banff Ntl Park	35.00	25/01/01	Glenwood	10.00	23/03/01			
Barnwell	13.00	01/01/18	Granum	0.00	24/02/01			
Barons	14.97	00/08/21	High River	20.00	19/05/01			
Bassano	25.00	13/01/01	Hill Spring	5.00	10/03/25			
Beiseker	16.00	19/01/01	Hussar	27.50	22/02/01			
Big Valley	12.00	16/03/01	Innisfail	28.00	25/04/01			
Bow Island	20.00	25/08/01	Irricana	14.18	23/01/01			
Bowden	22.00	07/02/16	Lethbridge	27.00	12/02/15			
Brooks	22.50	26/04/01	Linden	15.23	04/07/09			
Burdett	15.00	20/04/01	Lomond	25.00	15/12/01			
Canmore	35.00	24/01/01	Longview	20.00	16/01/01			
Carbon	16.00	22/01/01	Magrath	15.00	10/01/18			
Cardston	20.00	23/02/01	Milk River	30.00	04/12/14			
Carmangay	5.00	25/01/01	Nanton	20.00	26/01/01			
Carstairs	25.00	07/08/01	Nobleford	7.50	23/01/01			
Champion	15.00	10/03/02	Okotoks	35.00	24/01/01			
Chestermere	17.00	14/01/01	Olds	35.00	26/04/01			
Claresholm	15.00	26/01/01	Penhold	25.00	18/09/01			
Coaldale	25.00	25/04/01	Picture Butte	18.00	16/09/01			
Coalhurst	12.45	24/01/01	Raymond	15.00	20/10/07			
Cochrane	20.00	16/01/01	Rockyford	30.00	12/01/01			
Coutts	20.00	08/09/09	Rosemary	25.00	26/08/01			
Cowley	13.79	02/08/23	Springbrook	10.50	23/04/01			
Cremona	25.00	26/07/01	Standard	4.00	23/01/01			
Crossfield	25.00	26/01/01	Stavely	11.00	21/01/01			
Crowsnest Pass	25.00	13/01/17	Stirling	12.00	19/01/01			
Delburne	21.60	07/04/10	Strathmore	35.00	21/04/01			
Diamond Valley	15.00	23/01/01	Taber	18.00	20/07/01			
Didsbury	25.00	10/01/01	Taber*	33.00	20/07/01			
Duchess	15.00	21/01/01	Trochu	20.00	15/12/01			
Elnora	16.00	04/05/27	Vauxhall	12.00	24/01/01			
			Vulcan	35.00	14/01/01			

* Applied to High Use.

** Exemption available on Rider "E" portion of natural gas feedstock quantities used by an electrical generation plant whose primary fuel source is natural gas, for the commercial sale of electricity or used by a district energy plant for combined heat and power production, if deemed by the City of Calgary to be a qualifying facility.

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REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: September 21, 2026

Agenda Item: 5.2

Business Recruitment Incentive: Daytime Fire Response

PURPOSE:

To establish a practical incentive program that encourages Nanton businesses to permit employees who are active members of the Nanton Fire Department to leave the workplace during business hours to respond to emergency calls.

The primary objective is to increase the number of qualified firefighters available for daytime emergency response while recognizing the operational and financial impact that releasing an employee may have on a local business..

BACKGROUND / IMPLICATIONS:

The Nanton Fire Department relies on volunteer firefighters who balance emergency service with employment and other responsibilities. Daytime availability can be limited when members work outside the community or when local employers are unable to release employees during working hours.

Local businesses that allow firefighter employees to leave work to respond to emergencies provide an important service to the community. However, doing so may also result in lost employee time, interrupted operations and additional costs for the employer.

Administration has developed the attached Daytime Fire Response Business Incentives Policy to provide a clear and consistent way for the Town to recognize businesses that support daytime emergency response. The program is intended to assist with firefighter recruitment and retention while strengthening the long-term sustainability of the Nanton Fire Department.

Participation would be voluntary. Employers would retain the ability to keep an employee at work where releasing them would create an immediate safety risk or materially affect critical business operations.

PROPOSED PROGRAM: DAYTIME FIRE RESPONSE BUSINESS INCENTIVES:

Under the proposed policy, a participating business would employ at least one active member in good standing of the Nanton Fire Department and permit the firefighter employee to respond to emergency incidents during business hours when operationally feasible.

Eligible response time would be based on verified emergency-response hours occurring between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Training, meetings, apparatus checks, stand-by time and other Fire Department activities would not count toward the incentive.

Businesses would be required to participate for at least one full calendar year before receiving an incentive and enter into an Employer Participation Agreement with the Town. Businesses would also be required to remain in good standing with the Town and meet the eligibility requirements established in the policy.

Where a business employs more than one firefighter, eligible response hours may be combined for the purpose of determining the business's incentive. The incentive would be provided to the participating employer in recognition of its support of daytime emergency response rather than as payment for individual emergency calls.

PROPOSED INCENTIVES:

Administration is recommending two incentive options to ensure the program can recognize different types of Nanton businesses.

Municipal Property Tax Rebate:

For businesses that own the commercial or industrial property from which they operate, the policy provides a municipal property tax rebate based on verified business-hour response hours. The rebate would apply only to the general municipal portion of the property tax and would be subject to the maximum amounts established in the policy. It would not apply to provincial education tax, seniors housing requisitions or other requisitions and levies collected by the Town on behalf of another body. This provides a direct financial benefit to businesses that release firefighter employees during working hours and recognizes the operational impact associated with supporting daytime emergency response.

Tom Hornecker Recreation Centre Advertising Incentive:

Not every participating business owns the property from which it operates. Some businesses lease their premises or operate from property where a municipal property tax rebate cannot reasonably be applied to the participating business. To ensure these employers can still be recognized, the policy provides a second option through an advertising incentive at the Tom Hornecker Recreation Centre.

Eligible businesses that cannot receive the municipal property tax rebate may apply for an annual advertising credit or discounted advertising rate based on their verified business-hour response hours. Advertising would remain subject to available space, Town advertising standards and approval of the proposed advertising material. A business may receive either the municipal property tax rebate or the THRC advertising incentive for the same qualifying year, but not both.

Business Recognition:

In addition to the applicable financial or advertising incentive, participating businesses may be publicly recognized for supporting the Nanton Fire Department and community emergency response. Recognition may include a municipal recognition certificate, recognition through the Town's website or other communications, and the opportunity to display a Town-approved Firefighter Supporter decal or logo, if available. This component provides participating businesses with visible community recognition while helping promote a culture in which local employers support volunteer emergency response.

Program Administration:

Participating businesses would enter into an Employer Participation Agreement with the Town identifying the business, participating firefighter employees and the incentive being requested.

The Fire Chief or designate would verify firefighter membership, good-standing status, employer information and eligible business-hour response hours. The CAO or designate would confirm applicable business licensing, tax-roll eligibility, tax status and other municipal account requirements.

Applications would be submitted by March 31 for service completed during the preceding calendar year. Only Fire Department records would be used to determine eligible response hours, although additional information could be requested where necessary to confirm that the firefighter was released from work by the participating business.

Each year, Administration would provide Council with the eligible businesses, verified hour categories, proposed incentives and total program cost. Council approval would be required by resolution before a municipal property tax rebate is processed.

Program Safeguards:

The proposed policy includes several safeguards to ensure the program remains fair, transparent and financially responsible.

Participation is voluntary and an employer is not required to release a firefighter employee where doing so would create an immediate safety risk to the business, its employees, customers, critical services or operations.

Eligibility is based on verified emergency-response hours rather than simply employing a firefighter. The same response hours cannot be claimed by more than one employer, and the maximum incentive applies once per business rather than once per firefighter employee.

Participation does not create an entitlement to an incentive in future years. Program funding would be established annually through the municipal budget process, and incentives would remain subject to available funding and Council approval.

Administration would review the program annually based on firefighter availability, business participation, emergency response performance, budget impacts and community benefits. Council would retain the ability to adjust incentive amounts, thresholds, program conditions or the annual program budget.

Legislative Authority:

Section 347(1) of the Municipal Government Act provides Council with authority to cancel or refund all or part of a tax where Council considers it equitable to do so, with or without conditions. The municipal property tax rebate component of the proposed policy would operate under this authority and would apply only to the general municipal portion of property tax.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends that Council approve the Daytime Fire Response Business Incentives Policy as presented, establishing municipal property tax and THRC advertising incentives to recognize local businesses that support daytime firefighter response.

DECISION OPTIONS:

☒ #1 – Approve the policy as presented.

☐ #2 – Request further information. Refer the matter to budget discussions or a Committee of the Whole meeting for additional information regarding costs, tax implications and program design.

☐ #3 - Do not proceed with a municipal incentive program at this time.

Prepared By: John G. Dozeman, Fire Chief

Date: 08/31/2026

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☐	RELIABLE INFRASTRUCTURE	☒	LIVABLE COMMUNITY
☐	FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	☒	PARTNERSHIPS
Strategic Alignment: 3. Livable Community – supporting a safe and welcoming community through sustainable emergency response, and 4.2 Leverage Community and Sector Partnerships – strengthening partnerships with local businesses to support volunteer emergency services.			



POLICY

Policy No. 26 –RESOLUTION # - DATE

Department: Fire

Daytime Fire Response Business Incentives

SCOPE:

This policy applies to businesses operating within the Town of Nanton that employ one or more active members of the Nanton Fire Department and participate in the Town's Daytime Fire Response Business Incentive Program. It does not apply to full-time career firefighters employed by another fire service.

PURPOSE:

The Town of Nanton recognizes that the availability of volunteer firefighters is critical to maintaining effective emergency response services. Local businesses that permit firefighter employees to attend emergency incidents during working hours provide a valuable public service that enhances community safety.

This policy establishes an incentive program to recognize local businesses that support daytime emergency response, assist with the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters, and strengthen the long-term sustainability of the Nanton Fire Department.

DEFINITIONS:

Business means a commercial, industrial, institutional, or professional employer operating within the Town of Nanton.

Business-Hour Response means the release of a firefighter employee from regular work duties to respond to an emergency incident between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Only verified emergency-response time is eligible. Training, apparatus checks, meetings, stand-by time, and other department activities are not included.

Eligible Business means a business that meets the requirements of this policy and has entered into an Employer Participation Agreement with the Town.

Firefighter Employee is an employee who is an active member in good standing of the Nanton Fire Department and is authorized to respond to emergency incidents.

Municipal Property Tax is the general municipal portion of property tax only. It excludes provincial education tax, seniors housing requisitions, designated industrial property requisitions, local improvement taxes, and any other requisition or levy collected on behalf of another body or imposed by separate bylaw.

REFERENCE:

REPLACES POLICY:

POLICY:

1. Program Authority

- 1.1 Under section 347(1) of the Municipal Government Act, Council may cancel or refund all or part of a tax where Council considers it equitable to do so, with or without conditions.
- 1.2 Subject to annual budget approval, the Town may provide a municipal property tax rebate or an advertising incentive to eligible businesses that permit firefighter employees to respond to emergency incidents during business hours.
- 1.3 Participation does not create an entitlement to an incentive in a future year. Council may amend, suspend, or discontinue the program through the annual budget or by resolution.

2. General Eligibility

2.1 To qualify, a business must:

- i. operate within the Town of Nanton and hold a valid Town business license, where one is required;
- ii. employ at least one firefighter employee for some or all of the qualifying year;
- iii. permit firefighter employees to leave work for emergency responses when operationally feasible;
- iv. participate for at least one full calendar year before receiving an incentive;
- v. sign and comply with the Employer Participation Agreement in Schedule A;
- vi. remain in good standing with the Town, including municipal taxes, utilities, licenses, and regulatory requirements; and
- vii. submit any information reasonably required to verify eligibility.

2.2 An employer is not required to release an employee where doing so would create an immediate safety risk to the business, its employees, customers, critical services, or operations.

2.3 Incentives are calculated using verified business-hour response hours completed during the previous calendar year. Where more than one firefighter employee works for the same business, their eligible hours may be combined. The maximum incentive is applied once per business, not once per firefighter employee.

2.4 The same response hours may not be claimed by more than one business. If a firefighter changes employers during the year, hours will be allocated to the employer that released the firefighter for each response.

3. Municipal Property Tax Rebate

- 3.1 A business may qualify for a rebate where it owns a taxable commercial or industrial property within the Town of Nanton, the property is used by the participating business, and the associated tax roll has no tax arrears at the time the rebate is approved or applied.



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- 3.2 The rebate applies only to the general municipal portion of the property tax and shall not exceed the lesser of the amount shown below or 75% of the general municipal tax payable on the eligible property for that year.

Verified Business-Hour Response Hours	Annual Municipal Property Tax Rebate
51 hours or more	\$2,000
41 to 50.99 hours	\$1,600
31 to 40.99 hours	\$1,200
21 to 30.99 hours	\$800
11 to 20.99 hours	\$400
10.99 hours or less	\$0

- 3.3 The rebate may be applied only to the eligible business property identified in the application. It cannot be split, transferred, carried forward, or exchanged for cash.
- 3.4 A business owner who is also a firefighter may qualify where all requirements are met and the verified hours occurred during the business's normal operating hours.

4. Tom Hornecker Recreation Centre Advertising Incentive

- 4.1 A participating business that meets the general eligibility requirements but is not eligible for the municipal property tax rebate may apply for an advertising incentive at the Tom Hornecker Recreation Centre. This may include a business that leases its premises, operates from a property that is not taxable to the business, or otherwise cannot have a rebate applied to an eligible tax roll.
- 4.2 The advertising incentive may be provided as an annual advertising credit or discounted advertising rate, subject to available advertising space, the Town's advertising standards, and approval of the proposed material.

Verified Business-Hour Response Hours	Maximum Annual Advertising Credit or Discount
51 hours or more	\$800
41 to 50.99 hours	\$700
31 to 40.99 hours	\$500
21 to 30.99 hours	\$400
11 to 20.99 hours	\$300
10.99 hours or less	\$0



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- 4.3 A business may receive either the property tax rebate or the THRC advertising incentive for the same qualifying year, but not both.
- 4.4 The advertising incentive has no cash value, cannot be transferred or carried forward, and cannot be used for production, installation, maintenance, or removal costs unless Council expressly includes those costs in the annual program approval.
- 4.5 Advertising placement, size, term, available locations, production requirements, and any additional fees shall be established through the Town's current THRC advertising program or rates and fees bylaw.

5. Business Recognition

- 5.1 In addition to the applicable financial incentive, participating businesses may receive:
- i. a municipal recognition certificate;
 - ii. recognition on the Town website or other Town communications as a Firefighter Supporter; and
 - iii. permission to display a Town-approved Proud Supporter of Community Firefighters decal or logo, if available.

6. Business Employer Responsibilities

- 6.1 Participating business employers shall:
- i. permit firefighter employees to leave work for emergency responses when operationally reasonable;
 - ii. notify the Town of changes that may affect eligibility;
 - iii. cooperate with annual program verification and review; and
 - iv. maintain any records reasonably required to verify participation.

7. Firefighter Responsibilities

- 7.1 Firefighter employees shall:
- i. remain active members in good standing of the Nanton Fire Department;
 - ii. maintain required training and certifications;
 - iii. follow all Fire Department policies regarding emergency response;
 - iv. ensure current employer information is provided to the Fire Chief or designate; and
 - v. return to work following an incident when practical and consistent with Fire Department direction and the employer's expectations.

8. Verification and Administration

- 8.1 The Fire Chief or designate shall verify firefighter membership, good-standing status, employer information, and eligible business-hour response hours for the qualifying year.
- 8.2 The Chief Administrative Officer or designate shall confirm business licensing, tax-roll eligibility, tax status, and any other municipal account requirements.



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8.3 Each year, Administration shall present Council with the eligible businesses, applicable tax-roll numbers where relevant, verified hour categories, proposed incentives, and total program cost. Council approval shall be recorded by resolution before any tax rebate is processed.

8.4 Applications must be submitted by March 31 each year for service completed in the preceding calendar year. Late or incomplete applications may be declined.

8.5 Only Fire Department records will be used to determine eligible response hours. The Town may request additional documentation where necessary to confirm that the firefighter was released from work by the participating business.

8.6 A business that provides false or misleading information may be denied an incentive, required to repay an incentive, and declared ineligible for the following program year.

9. Funding and Annual Review

9.1 Program funding shall be established annually through the municipal budget process and all incentives remain subject to available funding and Council approval.

9.2 Administration shall review the program annually, considering daytime firefighter availability, the number of participating businesses, emergency response performance, budget impacts, and community benefits.

9.3 Council may adjust incentive amounts, thresholds, program conditions, or the annual program budget based on the review.

RELATED DOCUMENTS:

Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c M-26, section 347(1)
Town of Nanton Rates and Fees Bylaw
Town of Nanton Business Licence Bylaw
THRC Advertising Standards or Agreement, if applicable

AMENDMENTS / REVIEWS:

Date (yyyy/mm/dd)	Section # Amended	Comments

Next Review Date:	
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MAYOR

Date

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Schedule A Employer Participation Agreement

1. Business and Firefighter Information

Qualifying calendar year	_____
Business name	_____
Business address	_____
Contact name and position	_____
Telephone and email	_____
Business licence no.	_____ Property tax roll no.: _____
Firefighter employee name(s)	_____
Normal work schedule	_____

2. Incentive Requested

Select one	☐ Municipal property tax rebate ☐ THRC advertising incentive
Property address or requested advertising	_____

3. Employer Agreement

The business agrees to:

- permit firefighter employees to leave work for emergency responses between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. whenever operationally feasible;
- notify the Town of changes to the firefighter's employment, work schedule, or permission to respond;
- provide accurate information reasonably required to verify participation; and
- comply with the policy and applicable THRC advertising requirements.
- The business may retain an employee where departure would create an immediate safety risk or materially affect critical operations. Participation does not guarantee an incentive or create an entitlement in a future year.

4. Business Declaration and Signature

I certify that I am authorized to sign for the business, the information provided is accurate, and the business agrees to this agreement and the Daytime Fire Response Business Incentive Policy.

Business representative	_____ Title: _____
Signature	_____ Date: _____

5. Town Verification and Approval Town Use Only

Fire Department verification	Good standing: ☐ Yes ☐ No Verified daytime hours: _____
Eligibility checks	Licence: ☐ Yes ☐ N/A Tax/account standing: ☐ Yes ☐ N/A
Approved incentive	☐ Property tax rebate ☐ THRC advertising ☐ Not approved
Approved amount or value	\$_____ Council resolution: _____
Manager of Finance	_____
Signature	_____ Date: _____

Personal information is collected to administer this program and will be managed in accordance with applicable access and privacy legislation. Questions may be directed to the Town of Nanton at 403-646-2029.



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INFORMATION BRIEF

Meeting: September 8, 2026
Agenda Item: 5.3

ASSET MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

PURPOSE:

An Asset Management Strategy is a guiding document that outlines how a municipality will manage, maintain, renew, and replace its infrastructure assets in a sustainable and financially responsible manner. It aligns the municipality's long-term service objectives with investment decisions, ensuring that roads, bridges, water and wastewater systems, buildings, and other critical assets continue to provide reliable services to residents. By identifying asset conditions, lifecycle costs, risks, and funding requirements, the strategy helps Council make informed, evidence-based decisions, prioritize investments, and balance service levels with affordability. Ultimately, an Asset Management Strategy supports fiscal sustainability, regulatory compliance, and the responsible stewardship of public infrastructure for current and future generations. The work that comes from this strategy will come with significant dividends if utilized in our operational and capital decisions.

INFORMATION:

Attached is the draft Asset Management Strategy for Council's information. Once the strategy has been adopted by staff, a roadmap will be developed to guide implementation. Staff can then begin preparing risk assessments and level of service statements, which can be incorporated into the digital asset management system once it is implemented. Town staff have been reviewing programs for asset management and do have an option that works well for collection and maintenance of all data. Any changes or additions to current programs fit within or below budget and may be implemented in phases to allow for data transfer, training, and to ensure there are no gaps for staff with utilization of any new/upgraded programs. There will be additional fees for implementation if changes are made, those will be included during budget discussions for review. Any programs chosen will be scheduled for implementation beginning mid-2027.

Applicable Legislation: Policy No. 13-213-18/06/18 Asset Management & Policy No. 13-152-19/04-15 Preventative Maintenance & Asset Management

Attachment: Draft Town of Nanton Asset Management Strategy

Prepared By: Tara Vandervalk, Chief Administrative Officer

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☒	RELIABLE INFRASTRUCTURE	☐	LIVABLE COMMUNITY
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Strategic Alignment: Reliable Infrastructure – 1.1 Asset Management & Infrastructure, and Fiscal Responsibility & Economic Development – 2.1 Culture of Fiscal Discipline, supporting data-driven infrastructure investment, long-term capital planning and responsible financial decision-making.			

Asset Management Strategy Purpose and Scope

Town of Nanton Vision

"Nanton is a self-determined small town where neighbors know neighbors, we are intentional in our growth, and we view the community as the foundation of our longevity"

The asset management plan will allow the Town to: Be able to provide all relevant information required to make informed decisions regarding the Town's infrastructure (both operational and for capital planning).

Asset Lifecycle Management Plan

1. Maximize Asset Lifecycle
 - Identify opportunities to extend the useful life of assets through proactive maintenance, rehabilitation, refurbishment, and timely renewal strategies.
 - Apply lifecycle management principles to optimize asset performance and reliability.
2. Review Service Standards and Delivery Models
 - Assess current community service levels to ensure they align with community needs, regulatory requirements, and organizational objectives.
 - Evaluate and recommend appropriate service delivery models that improve efficiency, effectiveness, and value for money.
3. Reduce Whole-of-Life Costs
 - Optimize lifecycle costs by considering total cost of ownership in planning, design, procurement, operation, maintenance, renewal, and disposal.
 - Prioritize investment decisions that deliver the greatest long-term value and risk reduction.
4. Optimize Maintenance Programs
 - Review existing maintenance strategies, schedules, and expenditure to identify opportunities for improved efficiency and effectiveness.
 - Implement risk-based and condition-based maintenance practices to reduce unplanned failures and maximize asset performance.
5. Maintain Accurate Asset Information
 - Ensure asset data, mapping, condition assessments, and maintenance records are accurate, complete, and regularly updated.
 - Maintain reliable asset information systems to support planning, budgeting, reporting, regulatory compliance, and informed decision-making.

Baseline Assessment

Our baseline assessment of asset management practices was completed using the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Asset Management Readiness Scale. The assessment was completed in 2018 and again on June 11, 2026.

Policy and Governance- establishing governance structures, policies & plans for implementation.

Past Readiness Level	2018	1 (one)
Current Readiness Level	2026	2 (two)

Why we are at our current level: We are committed to asset management and recognize the benefits, we don't have a formalized strategy or roadmap, but policy has been adopted by Council in 2018. This may require review for any potential updates.

People and Leadership- expanding on existing successes through cross-functional teamwork, shared accountability & consistent leadership support.

Past Readiness Level	2018	1 (one)
Current Readiness Level	2026	1 (one)

Why we are at our current level: Council has supported this process, budget will be required to implement any strategy once it has been created. Staff understands AM concepts and benefits, more specific training on programs to implement will be required. Utilization for data entry will be critical for AM strategy success.

Data and Information- utilizing asset & performance data to support decisions.

Past Readiness Level	2018	2 (two)
Current Readiness Level	2026	2 (two)

Why we are at our current level: We have basic financial TCA information supporting minimum PS-3150 reporting requirements. We also have some more detailed information from the IMP and other road assessments completed, however no processes in place to keep this information current in one accessible location. Level of service statements will be important moving forward as well.

Planning and Decision-Making- standardizing how priorities are set & how investments are executed.

Past Readiness Level	2018	1 (one)
Current Readiness Level	2026	2 (two)

Why we are at our current level: We prepare annual capital and operating budgets, as well as, 3-year operating and 5-year capital plans, but no AM plan to help direct these. We have a drafted AM plan and roadmap, but training and systems to input data are still required. Expand on and better refine the financial planning we do.

Contribution to Asset Management Practice- fostering training, knowledge sharing, continuous improvement & succession planning (knowledge transfer)

Past Readiness Level	2018	1 (one)
Current Readiness Level	2026	1 (one)

Why we are at our current level: Our current development approach is largely driven by the initiative of staff and strategic direction of Council. We keep asset management in mind when we plan for future upgrades along with relating to known problems. We are aware of the need to mitigate risks and to provide training/programs, this will be formalized during budget discussions and using a phased approach utilizing the AM plan.

Asset Management Connections

This plan considers:

Strategic Plan (2026)

The Town of Nanton's guiding principles: Fiscal discipline, reliability, organic growth, partnerships, and communication. Goals include:

- Policy & planning for responsible & sustainable growth
- Economic & community development to revitalize Nanton and manage our growth
- Sound, responsible governance & internal operations
- Improve and expand partnerships, collaborations, relationships
- Livable community for a vibrant, healthy quality of life

In developing these goals, Council will facilitate and provide leadership for change to achieve the vision for the Town of Nanton, in relation to desired service levels, infrastructure maintenance and upgrades in consideration of the asset management policy.

Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF)

The purpose of the Regional ICF is to support, promote, and foster collaborative opportunities and initiatives among the Municipalities for their mutual benefit and for the overall benefit of residents. Wherever feasible, the Municipalities aim to facilitate integrated and strategic planning, delivery, and funding of intermunicipal services while ensuring the efficient stewardship of resources.

Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) September 2010

The purpose of this Intermunicipal Development Plan, in accordance with the MGA, is to establish policies guiding future land use and development, along with any other matters related to the physical, social, or economic development of the area that the Councils of the Town and Municipal District deem necessary. The Plan also supports orderly and well-managed development surrounding the urban area, enabling timely expansion while minimizing land use conflicts. In addition, it outlines the Town's anticipated growth directions and expansion plans, taking into consideration transportation networks, infrastructure improvements, and broader asset management needs.

Municipal Development Plan (MDP) September 2018 consolidated to 2024

The purpose of the MDP is to provide a planning framework for the future sustainable growth and development of the Municipality that will assist in realizing the physical, social and economic opportunities in Nanton. The MDP includes policy directions that will outline internal land use patterns for the Town and its growth areas. The asset management policy and strategy documents, and implementation of projects will take into consideration future growth needs when planning for capital projects to ensure alignment with the MDP.

Infrastructure Master Plan (2012) & Subdivision Design Guidelines (2006-2008) & Road Report (Condition Assessment 2025)

The Infrastructure Master Plan provides a general framework for the Town of Nanton in regards to infrastructure upgrades, maintenance and improvements required for growth. The IMP provides the Town with a roadmap for infrastructure needs in the Town. The IMP identifies existing system improvement requirements, rehabilitation and servicing recommendations for the infrastructure

systems owned and operated by the Town. The existing system improvements and future growth area servicing requirements were established based on analysis of the condition and risk of transportation, water distribution, wastewater collection, and stormwater management systems and assets. The IMP will be incorporated into the Town's long-term development planning and capital planning to determine the improvement areas and future developments. The additional information contained within the Subdivision guidelines and road assessment report will assist with capital budgeting.

Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan (2019)

The Town of Nanton Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master plan (with the MDP) promotes a balanced and livable community through the enhancement of parks, recreation, and open space amenities that support both active and passive recreational opportunities. The plan emphasizes the importance of accessible green spaces, trail connections, community parks, and recreational facilities in supporting community well-being and future growth. Recreation planning is intended to align with long-term development goals, public needs, and sustainable infrastructure planning while ensuring that recreational services and open spaces continue to meet the needs of residents as the community evolves.

Stormwater Studies (various – Industrial, Westview, etc.)

The information compiled by the Town through various stormwater studies has been developed to assess the capacity and performance of the Town's stormwater system, identify future stormwater infrastructure required to support ongoing development, review the Town's stormwater impacts on drainage, and inform improvement programs considering future capacity requirements, development pressures, and regulatory requirements.

Recommendations arising from these studies, including rehabilitation and upgrade options for the stormwater system, can be incorporated into the Town's asset management program to support strategic infrastructure planning that considers both existing system capacity and future needs associated with growth and redevelopment. A full Stormwater Management Plan should be considered in the future or incorporated into an update Infrastructure Master Plan.

Capital Planning Process

The capital planning process is currently not well defined with any sort of documented process. The Town does have a number of different studies and plans that provide recommendations on different capital upgrades. These plans in general are more aggressive than the Town can afford in terms of funding these projects on the timelines suggested and does not include many of the other capital projects required, such as equipment purchases or most building projects.

In addition to the plans noted, capital requests are received by the Director of Corporate Services from the various department heads. These requests do not have any set criteria to assess their legitimacy or urgency, other than through commentary or urgency communicated by the department heads, nor are they ranked against those recommended in the plans by any set criteria.

All of these capital projects recommended by the plans or requests from the department heads are then taken to the Committee of the Whole to discuss and review the projects, hear reasoning as to their need or benefit, review funding availability, and with the assistance of the Director of Corporate Services and the CAO, develop a capital plan that can be fully funded and recommend the plan to Council for approval.

This process has worked, however provides little quantitative or qualitative data to support which projects are selected and which ones are postponed or declined. Therefore, instituting a more data driven asset management process, assessing condition and risk of all assets in the Town and service levels, these assets would provide greater reasoning and explanation to the residents as to the expenditures and priorities of Council in their capital project selection.

Tangible Capital Assets Accounting Process.

As per the Town's Tangible Capital Assets Policy (No. 204-08/08/05), PSAB 3150 establishes the standards on how to account for and report tangible capital assets in government financial statements. The reporting system will reflect the amortization of these assets which will demonstrate the stewardship and the cost of using these assets to deliver programs and services.

The Town has determined that the best method of amortization is the Straight-line Method. The Straight-line method assumes that the asset's economic usefulness is the same each year and the repair and maintenance expense is essentially the same each period. The amortization amount is determined by dividing the asset's original cost by its estimated life in years.

Asset Inventory/Database.

In connection with the Policies (list them) all assets of the Town are recorded and tracked in asset inventory spreadsheets. This data will be an important piece of information when compiling the assets of the Town and documenting the original value and amortized value of these assets and the overall position the Town is in with its Tangible Capital Assets, and the Town's current infrastructure deficit.

Due to inflation and changes in standards and technology, original cost is also not a good predictor of replacement cost, so where practical to do so (engineering structures – roads, underground infrastructure, etc.) replacement costs will be estimated to provide more accurate current infrastructure deficits and financial requirements.

Going forward the asset inventory will be stored and managed through GIS-centric Asset Management Software in order to allow for simpler data collection and management. A centralized asset database allows for quick review and update of data from the field. Once centralized this information can be reviewed, updated, and summarized more easily to support informed asset management decisions.

Objectives and Goals

Objective 1: Demonstrate organizational alignment and commitment to asset management across Council and administration.

Purpose: Establish asset management as a core business practice that supports long-term financial sustainability, informed decision-making, and the delivery of reliable municipal services. This objective focuses on ensuring Council, senior management, and staff share responsibility for integrating asset management principles into everyday operations and strategic planning.

Goals:

a. Complete the organization of the Asset Management Team: Establish a formal cross-departmental Asset Management Team with clearly defined roles, responsibilities, and decision-making authority. Representation should include Finance, Public Works, Engineering, Planning & Development, Parks & Recreation, Water/Wastewater (where applicable), GIS, and Administration.

Key Actions:

- Implement Terms of Reference document.
- Establish reporting relationships between staff and Council.
- Define annual work plans and priorities.

Milestones:

- Team established and meeting regularly.
- Roles and responsibilities documented.

b. Create an Asset Management Strategy/Road Map: Develop a multi-year implementation strategy that outlines the municipality's asset management priorities, timelines, responsibilities, resource requirements, and performance measures.

The roadmap should identify:

- Legislative compliance requirements.
- Data improvement priorities.
- Policy updates (if required).
- Asset inventory improvements.
- Condition assessment schedules.
- Software implementation.
- Long-term financial planning milestones.

Milestones:

- Strategy approved by Council.
- Annual progress reporting.
- Roadmap reviewed annually for any potential updates.

c. Hold Asset Management Meetings: Conduct regular meetings to coordinate asset management initiatives, review progress, discuss capital priorities, identify risks, and improve communication between departments.

Meetings should include:

- Progress on AM action items.
- Data quality improvements.
- Upcoming capital projects.
- Risk discussions.
- Funding opportunities.
- Regulatory updates.

Milestones:

- Quarterly meetings held.
- Meeting minutes recorded.
- Action items tracked and completed.

Objective 2: Allocate limited resources using life-cycle planning, risk management, sustainable service levels, and evidence-based decision making.

Purpose: Ensure municipal investments maximize value by balancing costs, risks, service delivery expectations, and long-term financial sustainability.

Goals:

a. Include operational impacts, life-cycle costs, and risks in Council reports and budget discussions: Ensure every significant capital project, asset replacement, or infrastructure investment presented to Council includes an evaluation of (if applicable and available):

- Initial capital costs.
- Long-term operating costs.
- Maintenance requirements.
- Renewal costs.
- Service impacts.
- Risks of deferring work.
- Financial impacts on taxation and user fees.

This promotes transparent decision-making and helps Council understand the full cost of ownership.

Milestones:

- Asset management section included in relevant RFDs.
- Life-cycle costing used for major projects.
- Risk assessments documented.

b. Review municipal services and staffing levels relative to asset management risks and service levels: Evaluate whether current staffing, operational practices, and available resources adequately support the municipality's desired levels of service and asset management objectives.

Consider:

- Preventative maintenance capacity.
- Inspection frequencies.
- Staff workloads.
- Training requirements.
- Contracted services.
- Succession planning.

Milestones:

- Service delivery review completed.



- Staffing gaps identified.
- Recommendations incorporated into budget planning.

c. Create and maintain an Asset Replacement Forecast: Develop a long-term replacement schedule that forecasts infrastructure renewal needs based on asset age, condition, useful life, risk, and service requirements.

Forecasts should:

- Extend potentially 10–20 years.
- Be updated annually.
- Inform capital planning.
- Identify funding gaps.
- Support reserve planning.

Milestones:

- Replacement forecast completed.
- Annual updates performed.
- Forecast integrated into Long-Term Financial Plan.

Objective 3: Improve the quality, consistency, and accessibility of asset information to support informed decision making.

Purpose: Reliable data is fundamental to effective asset management. This objective focuses on improving asset inventories, condition information, GIS data, and service level documentation.

Goals:

a. Document current levels of service provided in all departments: Define and document the services provided by each department, including:

- Customer levels of service.
- Technical levels of service.
- Performance measures.
- Regulatory requirements.
- Community expectations.

Examples include:

- Road maintenance response times.
- Water service reliability.
- Park maintenance frequencies.
- Facility availability.

Milestones:

- Service levels documented.
- Performance measures established.
- Annual review completed.

b. Update GIS mapping annually using as-built information: Ensure GIS and asset inventories accurately reflect infrastructure additions, replacements, and modifications completed each year.

This includes:

- Roads.
- Watermains.
- Sanitary sewers.
- Storm systems.
- Buildings.
- Parks.
- Fleet.

Updates should occur after construction completion using verified as-built drawings.



Milestones:

- Annual GIS updates completed.
- Asset inventory maintained.
- New assets entered within established timelines.

c. Develop a process for regular condition and risk assessments: Implement standardized procedures for assessing the condition and risk of municipal assets using consistent methodologies.

The process should identify:

- Inspection frequency.
- Condition rating scales.
- Risk scoring.
- Data collection standards.
- Responsibility for updates.
- Software requirements.

Results should directly inform capital planning and maintenance programs.

Milestones:

- Inspection schedules established.
- Condition ratings regularly updated.
- Risk assessments incorporated into capital planning.

Objective 4: Provide training, support, and resources to Council and staff to strengthen asset management knowledge and practices.

Purpose: Build organizational capacity by ensuring employees and elected officials understand asset management principles and their role in supporting informed decision-making.

Goals:

a. Provide asset management training appropriate to each role: Develop a training program tailored to different staff groups and Council members.

Topics may include:

- Asset management fundamentals.
- Legislative requirements.
- Risk management.
- Levels of service.
- Life-cycle costing.
- Asset management software.
- GIS.
- Financial planning.

Training should be incorporated into onboarding and ongoing professional development.

Milestones:

- Annual training completed.
- New staff orientation includes AM.
- Training records maintained.

b. Ensure staff know where to access asset management support: Develop clear guidance regarding available asset management resources, including:

- Policies.
- Procedures.
- Templates.
- Software documentation.
- Training materials.
- Internal subject matter experts.

This information should be accessible through a centralized document management system.

Milestones:



- Centralized resource library created.
- Staff awareness confirmed.
- Documentation maintained.

Objective 5: Ensure asset management practices remain consistent, resilient, and sustainable despite changes in staffing or Council.

Purpose: Institutionalize asset management so that organizational knowledge, processes, and long-term planning continue regardless of personnel changes.

Goals:

a. Maintain an up-to-date Asset Management Policy: Council should formally update as required the Asset Management Policy that clearly establishes governance, responsibilities, guiding principles, and organizational commitment.

The policy should be reviewed periodically to reflect:

- Legislative changes.
- Organizational priorities.
- Best practices.
- Continuous improvement.

Milestones:

- Policy review completed every 3–5 years (or as required).
- Council reaffirmation documented.

b. Develop standardized documentation for key asset management processes: Create standardized procedures and templates for recurring asset management activities, such as:

- Condition assessments.
- Risk evaluations.
- Capital prioritization.
- Asset inventory updates.
- Lifecycle costing.
- GIS updates.
- Annual reporting.

Standardization improves consistency, efficiency, and knowledge transfer.

Milestones:

- Standard operating procedures documented.
- Templates consistently used.
- Documentation reviewed regularly.

c. **Capture institutional knowledge within municipal systems:** Ensure critical knowledge held by experienced staff is documented and stored in centralized systems rather than relying on individual experience.

This includes:

- Historical asset information.
- Maintenance records.
- Inspection findings.
- Design standards.
- Operational procedures.
- GIS data.
- Lessons learned from completed projects.

Knowledge should be stored in the municipality's document management system, GIS, and asset management software with appropriate version control and staff access.

Milestones:

- Key procedures documented.
- Asset records complete and accessible.
- Knowledge transfer completed during staff transitions.

Communications and Continuous Improvement

Stakeholder Group	Connection to Asset Management Strategy	Communications Approach
Asset Management Team	Data input, project coordination & recommendations	Meetings
Committee of the Whole	Review projects Recommendations made to Council	Committee meetings
Council	Makes Decisions, reviews policy	Council RFD's & Info Briefs

We will assess our asset management practices annually and will compare our progress to the baseline. We will update our strategy as needed to reflect our progress and learning.

Town of Nanton Mission

"Council & Administration steward Nanton's future through reliable infrastructure and service delivery, ensuring the Town's economic well-being, practicing the wise use of land and waterways, and collaborating with partners and community to punch above our weight."





REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: September 21, 2026

Agenda Item: 5.4

2026 Organizational Meeting

BACKGROUND / IMPLICATIONS:

Section 192(1) of the Municipal Government Act requires Council to hold an Organizational Meeting annually, not later than two weeks after the third Monday in October.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

Moved that Council set the 2026 Organizational Meeting for Monday, October 19, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Tom Hornecker Recreation Centre.

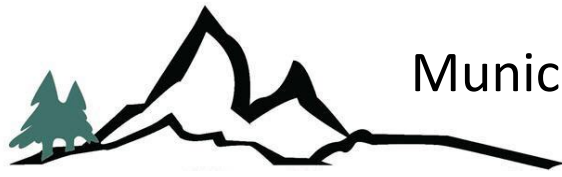
DECISION OPTIONS:

- ☒ #1 – Move to set the meeting for October 19, 2026
- ☒ #2 – Move to set the meeting for an alternate date.

Prepared By: Sara-Lynn Lyons

Date: September 17, 2026

APPROVED BY: Tara Vandervalk, Chief Administrative Officer:



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September 10, 2026

Dear Neighbour,

We are pleased to invite you to the **33rd Legacy of Our Land Banquet**, hosted by the Agricultural Service Board of the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 as it celebrates its 70th anniversary. This annual event celebrates and honours the agricultural producers in our community and recognizes their vital role in shaping and sustaining our local agriculture industry.

As a valued neighboring community, the ASB would like to extend **1 complimentary ticket** to your town, county or municipal district for this special evening. Kindly notify the MD ASB with the name of the representative you wish to send, and we will have their ticket available at the door. Please RSVP by **October 29, 2026**. Additional tickets can be purchased via cash, e-transfer, or invoice please let me know.

Event Details

Date: November 6, 2026
Venue: Stavely Community Center, 5101 52 Street, Stavely Alberta
Time: Doors open at 5:00 pm, with a Prime Rib Dinner to follow at 6:15 pm

Our guest presenter this year is Filipe Masetti Leite, a world-renowned Long Rider, award-winning filmmaker, and best-selling author. Filipe is the youngest person in the world to cross the Americas on horseback, completing an eight-year journey through 12 nations and more than 27,000 kilometers with his beloved horses. Along the way, he relied on the kindness of strangers and gained a firsthand perspective on life across the Americas. He will share the story of his epic journey and the lesson that there is always a way to accomplish what you dream of when you set fear aside and take the first step.

If you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to contact Carla at (403) 625-1656 carla@mdwillowcreek.com.

We look forward to welcoming your representative and sharing this meaningful evening with you.

Warm regards,

Extra tickets \$40 each

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Sara-Lynn Lyons

Subject: FW: Reports
Attachments: M&R Sept 2026.docx; Hon. Grant Hunter MLA Taber-Warner Revised Summer Update 2026.pdf

From: Mayors and Reeves <mayorsandreevessw@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2026 3:36 PM

To: Jill Watmough <MayorsandReevesSW@gmail.com>

Subject: Reports

Good afternoon,

Please find attached a revised update from MLA Hunter as well as Alberta Municipalities report.

Have a great evening,
Jill

Alberta is strengthening its defences against aquatic invasive species this summer.

Key Messages:

- We are working hard to keep invasive mussels out of our province to protect our lakes, rivers and critical water infrastructure across Alberta.
- Alberta is currently free of invasive muscles, and we intend to keep it that way again this summer.
 - If you are going boating, please make sure you Clean, Drain, and Dry all your gear and stop at mandatory inspection stations.
- These species can wreak havoc on waterways and ruin infrastructure, destroy habitats and cause hundreds of millions in damages.
- Last year, Alberta became the first Canadian jurisdiction to make inspections mandatory, requiring watercraft entering the eastern or southern borders to attend an inspection station.
- By defending water bodies, ecosystems and infrastructure, we are protecting jobs, businesses and recreation opportunities across the province.

Key facts:

- Alberta's fines are the highest in North America:
 - \$4,200 for failing to stop at an open inspection station.
 - \$600 for failing to remove a drain plug when transporting a watercraft within Alberta.
- In 2025, 21,995 boats were inspected, over 8,495 more than during 2024.
 - Thirteen watercraft carrying invasive mussels attempted to enter Alberta.
 - Contaminated watercraft all entered from the eastern provinces in Canada or the United States.
- A new inspection station will be located at the Chief Mountain border crossing in Waterton National Park in collaboration with Parks Canada and Canada Border Services

Alberta continues to see strong growth in its physician workforce, with the latest College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta (CPSA) quarterly update showing 13,848 doctors registered as of March 30, 2026. That's an increase of 869 more than the same time last year.

Key Messages:

- According to the CPSA's quarterly update, Alberta has 13,848 physicians registered to practice across Alberta.
- This includes 6,683 family physicians, an increase of 445, with growth across all zones in the province.
- This is an increase of 107 physicians from the previous quarter and an increase of 869 from the same period in 2025.
- The net gain in the latest full calendar year (Dec. 31, 2024, to Dec. 31, 2025) was 903, the largest single-year increase on record.
- We're especially encouraged to see that family physicians (Family Medicine Specialists) made up about half the total gain in 2025.
 - That's helping increase access to family doctors, with over 700 family physicians across the province accepting new patients, and steady increases in the number of Albertans reporting they have a regular physician.
- Primary health care is the foundation of Alberta's health care system, and family medicine and rural generalist physicians are fundamental to Albertans getting the care they need when and where they need it.

Key Facts:

- Total registered physicians in Alberta: 13,848
- Year-over-year increase: +869

Alberta's government is investing in more than \$1 million to help position Alberta-based businesses as key players in growing the sector and competing for national and international business contracts as part of Canada's Defence Industrial Strategy. Another \$200,000 will go towards a feasibility study for the Foremost Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Test Range.

Key Messages:

- As Canada grows its defence industry, there is big economic opportunity for Alberta as the investment creates jobs in construction, manufacturing, and technology.
- More than \$1 million from Alberta's government will help small and medium-sized businesses in Alberta compete for national and international defence industry contracts in partnership with the Alberta Aviation, Aerospace and Defence Council.
- In addition, \$200,000 to Community Futures Entre-Corp will support development of a sustainable, long-term operating model for the Foremost Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Test Range and unlock opportunities for testing, innovation and commercialization.
- Support for the Foremost unmanned aircraft test range will help position Alberta as a leader in unmanned aircraft systems testing and innovation.

Background:

- Jobs, Economy, Trade and Immigration is providing \$550,000 to the AAADC to partially fund their new initiative designed to strengthen competitiveness, improve market access and build a more connected and resilient ecosystem, the Leading Industry Forward Together (LIFT).
- Technology and Innovation through Alberta Innovates is providing \$500,000 to support the LIFT Initiative.
- LIFT will address long-standing structural and geographic barriers limiting growth within Alberta's aerospace and defence sectors.
- LIFT is delivered through two program streams that will accelerate defence certification training and accreditation for small to medium enterprises (SMEs), while also developing the ecosystem within which these SMEs operate.
- Jobs, Economy, Trade and Immigration is also providing \$200,000 to Community Futures Entre-Corp to support a feasibility study for the Foremost Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Test Range.

- The study will explore opportunities to increase range utilization, revenue certainty and assess its role in the evolving landscape of Canada's defence posture, with the goal of identifying a sustainable long-term operating model for the site.
- The Foremost UAS Test Range offers a strategic resource to Canada and its allies for UAS advancement.

211 Alberta is now the main access point for mental health and addiction services in Alberta, providing a single, consistent starting point for people seeking help.

Key messages:

- 211 Alberta is now the provincewide number to call for mental health and addiction services — making it easier for people to get the right support, at the right place, at the right time, through one simple access point.
 - Instead of navigating multiple phone numbers and entry points, people can call, text or chat online with 211 Alberta to be connected to mental health and addiction supports, as well as community and social services, anytime and anywhere.
- The services people rely on today are being better connected through 211 Alberta to improve continuity of care and navigation across the mental health and addiction system.
 - While 211 Alberta is the main access point for mental health and addiction services, there is no wrong door. People can still contact existing phone lines for support.

Key facts:

- Individuals will be connected to the appropriate supports through 211 Alberta via multiple pathways:
 - Warm transfers to Recovery Alberta's Centralized Clinical Access team for callers who need clinical services.
 - Warm transfers to the previous mental health and addiction help lines' clinical health professionals for emergent support.
 - Note: there will not be warm transfers to 811's main health line.
 - Supported intake to Counselling Alberta services, so callers can register for online or in-person counselling without having to take extra steps.
 - Peer support services for those who need non-clinical emotional support.

- 211 Alberta will also continue connecting callers to crisis supports.
- 211 Alberta is an initiative of the United Way Alberta Capital Region and is delivered in partnership with the Canadian Mental Health Association (Edmonton Region) and Distress Centre Calgary.
- 988 will continue for suicide crisis supports.
 - The federally funded 988 line is answered in Alberta by the same community navigators as 211 Alberta.

Through Budget 2026, Alberta's government is announcing \$8.9 million over four years to build and operate an Alberta Forensic DNA Laboratory.

Key Messages:

- The new provincial DNA lab will strengthen Alberta's in-province forensic capacity, provide a more cost-effective service, and help law enforcement and Crown prosecutors bring more criminals to justice.
- Albertans deserve a justice system that moves at the speed of the 21st century.
- By taking Alberta's cases in-house, we are relieving pressure on the national system, allowing the NFLS to focus on federal priorities.
- This lab is about Alberta taking the wheel to ensure faster trials, lower costs, and safer communities.

Key Facts

- The lab will begin operating in phases, starting with non-violent crime exhibits and expanding to more serious crimes over the next five years to ensure high-quality services that meet international accreditation standards.
- We will continue to work within national standards to ensure Alberta's DNA data remains integrated with the National DNA Data Bank to track offenders across borders.
- Alberta submitted approximately 2,900 DNA cases to the NFLS in 2024-25.
- In 2025-26, the national lab's cost per case was \$2,482. Alberta's projected cost per case through a provincial lab is up to 40 per cent lower.

- In 2025-26, Alberta was charged \$6.9 million for federal DNA casework – a 50 per cent increase from 2014-15.
- Federal DNA casework costs are expected to rise to \$7.2 million for 2027 and increase by an additional 4.5 per cent annually.
- The national lab aims to turn around cases within 65 days. Over the past five years, that target has been missed 39 per cent of the time.

Alberta police services consistently report longer turnaround times, with some results taking up to 12 months.

The governments of Alberta and Canada are investing \$68.5 million over three years to strengthen the workforce and connect at least 7,800 workers to in-demand jobs.

Key Messages:

- In partnership with the Government of Canada, Alberta's government is investing in skills training, and employment supports to help at least 7,800 Albertans connect to good jobs as our economy continues to grow and diversify.
- Through changes to the Canada-Alberta Labour Market Development Agreement, Alberta will expand training, upskilling and rapid re-employment supports so unemployed, underemployed and transitioning workers can move into high-demand jobs.
- Alberta's economy continues to create jobs, and these supports will help workers navigate economic change and career transition by getting the right skills for the opportunities available now.
- Albertans in industries facing disruption due to economic uncertainty, including steel, softwood lumber and other affected sectors, can access supports to upskill, retrain and connect to employment in growing parts of Alberta's diversified economy.
- These investments help employers keep and develop skilled workers and help Albertans train for in-demand roles—supporting productivity, competitiveness and long-term growth.
- Our government pushed hard to secure a good agreement for the province so Albertans could access Canada Alberta Workforce Tariff Response funding, and we will continue collaborating with the federal government so Albertans can access clear pathways to training, upskilling and employment in high-demand sectors.

Key Facts

- Alberta's government secured \$68.5 million over three years (2025-26 to 2027-28) to support workers affected by global market shifts, through an amendment to the Canada–Alberta LMDA.
- With this funding, Alberta expects to support at least 7,800 workers, as well as employers and industry associations through existing skills and employment programming and targeted new grant programs.
- Three ministries will deliver supports: Jobs, Economy, Trade and Immigration (JETI), Advanced Education (AE) and Assisted Living and Social Services (ALSS), with potential partnerships with Indigenous communities and organizations where appropriate.
 - Most of the funding will be allocated to existing JETI programs that support workers getting back into the labour market as quickly as possible, including:
 - Transition to Employment Services Program
 - Workforce Training Program
 - Canada-Alberta Productivity Grant
 - JETI has also allocated \$9.2 million to a new Workforce Resilience Grant Program that will support employer-led training and workforce planning for tariff-impacted sectors.
 - In 2026-27, \$12.9 million will go to AE will support the Foundational Learning Assistance Program, which helps eligible Albertans cover education and living costs while attending academic upgrading, adult basic education, English as an additional language training or pre-apprenticeship.
 - In 2026-27, \$2.9 million will go to ALSS to support the Career and Employment Information Services Program, which helps Albertans find work and explore career, employment and training options.

Alberta launches the Community Initiatives Program (CIP) Organizational Development and Collaboration Grant, replacing CIP Operating Grants.

Key Messages:

- Through the Community Initiatives Program (CIP), our government supports non-profits with grant funding to build strong, resilient and vibrant communities.

- After extensive research and organization feedback, we are strengthening Alberta's non-profit sector by launching the CIP – Organizational Development and Collaboration Grant (ODC).
- CIP – ODC replaces the CIP Operating grant to refocus funding, improve access to supports and ensure the funding framework is responsive to the evolving needs of our non-profit sector.
 - The new program will introduce two funding categories that provide opportunities for individual organizations to strengthen their capacity, and for collaborative efforts between organizations to address sector-wide or community-identified needs.
- By investing in our communities and the organizations that serve them, our government is fostering community spirit, supporting local economies and building an even stronger Alberta.

Key Facts

- Alberta is home to over 28,000 non-profit organizations, supporting everything from arts and culture to recreation and social services.
- CIP – ODC replaces the previous CIP Operating Grant to support a broader range of non-profit organizations and foster collaborative solutions for community and sector-wide needs.
 - Individual organizations are eligible for up to \$50,000 in grant funding and collaboratives can apply for up to \$100,000.
- Applications for CIP Grants are accepted twice annually.
 - In 2026, grant intakes will close June 15 and October 15. In 2027 and future years, intakes will close April 15 and October 15.

Alberta and Canada are investing more than \$323 million to build affordable housing across the province, delivering homes for Albertans who need them most.

Key messages:

- Alberta's government is committed to ensuring Albertans have access to safe, stable and affordable places to call home.

- Through the latest round of the Affordable Housing Partnership Program, more than \$323 million is being invested to support the construction of thousands of new affordable housing units across the province.
- This investment is critical to ensuring low-income Albertans have access to the housing they need as our province's population continues to grow.

Key facts:

- In total, more than \$720 million has been committed to building affordable housing in Alberta through the Affordable Housing Partnership Program.
 - Alberta's government launched the Affordable Housing Partnership Program in 2022.
- Today, more than \$323 million is being invested to build more than 3,600 affordable housing units and over 70 shelter spaces.
 - Projects are located in communities across Alberta, including Calgary, Edmonton, Canmore, Grande Prairie, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Red Deer, Lacombe, Olds, Okotoks, Spruce Grove, Whitecourt, Bassano and Claresholm.
 - Housing types include multi-family affordable housing, office-to-residential conversions, seniors housing, emergency shelters, transitional housing and supportive living.
- Funding for the Affordable Housing Partnership Program is eligible for cost-matching through the Canada-Alberta Bilateral Agreement under the National Housing Strategy.
- Through the province's *Stronger Foundations* strategy, Alberta will support a total of 82,000 low-income households by 2031 – an increase of more than 40 per cent from 2021.
 - With the announcement of these 41 projects, the province is approximately 70 per cent of the way to achieving that goal.
- Alberta is a national leader in housing.
 - Alberta has led the country in housing starts per capita for two consecutive years.
 - Despite making up less than 12 per cent of Canada's population, during 2025 Alberta built nearly a quarter of housing starts in the country and was responsible for 80 per cent of all housing starts on the prairies.

Enrolment growth and increasing classroom complexity mean some students are learning in larger classes. The new \$200 million Class Size Reduction Grant will add more than 1,400 teachers, reducing class sizes in kindergarten to Grade 9 for the 2026/27 school year.

Key Messages:

- Class sizes have skyrocketed over the past four years with over 90,000 students joining Alberta's classrooms in just for years.
- Increasing class sizes combined with other complexity factors is creating pressure in schools.
- This is a system-wide challenge across all schools and grades.
- To meet this challenge head on Alberta's government is providing \$200 million for a new Class Size Reduction Grant.
- This grant will add more than 1,400 additional teachers in schools with the largest class sizes in kindergarten to grade 9 for the 2026/2027 school year.
- Smaller class sizes mean more individual attention and stronger early intervention for students, and more manageable classrooms for teachers.
- The new grant to reduce class sizes is part of a multi-year approach to address classroom complexity, support teachers, and improve student outcomes as enrolment rises.

Key Facts:

- The grant builds on the work of the Class Size and Complexity Cabinet Committee, established to guide Alberta's approach to managing crowded and complex classrooms.
- Alberta's government is also investing \$143 million in complexity teams and nearly \$560 million through Budget 2026 to help school authorities address enrolment growth over the next three years.

Background:

- The Class Size Reduction Grant is part of a \$300-million classroom support investment identified in Budget 2026 to address class size, classroom complexity, and the implementation of the *Back-to-School Act*. (The \$300 million investment was unallocated at budget.)

- This approach is informed by Alberta’s largest-ever collection of classroom-level data (more than 108,000 classrooms provincially), ensuring supports go where they are needed most.
- The grant complements other actions being taken to support classroom safety, increase teacher staffing, and improve student outcomes across the province.
- Through the work of the Class Size and Complexity Cabinet Committee government has:
 - Collected and analyzed class size and complexity data from 108,000 classrooms
 - Invested \$143 million to create 476 Complexity Teams made up of one teacher and two educational assistants in the most complex classrooms

Albertans will continue to be protected by a new adjusted five per cent rate cap when the care-first auto insurance system launches in 2027.

Key Messages:

- Starting January 1, 2027, we are introducing a new adjusted rate cap alongside the province’s new care-first auto insurance system.
- Albertans have faced rising costs when buying and renewing auto insurance, driven by legal expenses, inflation, vehicle theft, natural disasters and tariffs.
- Under the adjusted rate cap, insurers will not be able to raise average rates by more than five per cent and all average drivers will see their auto insurance premiums capped at 10 per cent at renewal.
 - The updated approach adjusts the previous Good Driver Rate Cap and extends savings to more Albertans.
- Our priority is ensuring the care-first system provides notable savings for Albertans.
 - We will continue to closely monitor the system’s implementation to ensure good drivers benefit from lower insurance costs.
- Care-first and the adjusted rate cap will put Alberta drivers first.

On May 14, 2026, the spring sitting of the Alberta Legislature came to an end, following a productive session filled with legislation that protects Albertans and strengthens the economy.

Key messages:

- Through the first sitting of 2026, our government brought forward legislation that puts the interests of Albertans first.
- Now more than ever, we must grow and strengthen the economy by attracting investment, cutting red tape, reducing trade barriers and increasing investor confidence in Alberta.
- This sitting, our government brought forward legislation that protects Albertans and their livelihoods.
 - This means increased protection of communities, consumers, and vulnerable Albertans by putting their safety, security, lives, and livelihood first.
- Looking ahead, our government is committed to ensuring Alberta remains the best place to live, work, and raise a family.
- **This session, our government strengthened the economy by passing legislation such as:**
 - The Interprovincial Trade Mutual Recognition Act, which reduces interprovincial trade barriers and makes it easier for producers to sell their products across the country.
 - The Expedited 120-Day Approvals Act, which increases investor confidence for timely, predictable approvals for major projects.
 - The Alberta Whisky Act, which sets clear standards for what can be called Alberta Whisky, including using 100 per cent Alberta water and locally sourced grains, anchoring production in our agriculture sector and supporting farmers across the province.
 - The Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act, which streamlines development approvals, enables “Automatic Yes” for low risk permits, and requires municipalities to publicly report on permitting timelines.

- **Legislation passed this session that protects Albertans includes:**
 - The Immigration Oversight Act, which cracks down on bad actors by licensing international recruiters and immigration consultants and increasing oversight for employers who participate in recruitment and hiring of foreign workers.
 - The Traveller Protection and Destination Development Act, which prohibits hidden or misleading tourism fees.
 - The Public Safety and Emergency Services Statutes Amendment Act, 2026, which continues implantation of the Alberta Sheriff Police Service.
 - The Safeguards for Last Resort Termination of Life Act, which introduces protections and clarifies eligibility for medical assistance in dying (MAID) in Alberta.
 - The Act to Remove Politics and Ideology from Classrooms, which strengthens accountability in the education system, reinforces safe and respectful environments and clarifies expectations for neutrality and impartiality in classrooms.
 - The Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act, 2026, which protects kids from explicit materials in public libraries.
 - The Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2026, which expands Albertans' access to self-referred preventative health testing, improves timely access to medications, and completes the refocusing of Alberta's health system.

The Alberta and Canadian governments have agreed on a pathway to the construction of a new oil pipeline to Asian markets commencing as early as Sept. 1, 2027.

Key Messages:

- Alberta and Canada have set out a clear pathway to build a new oil pipeline to Asian markets, starting as early as September 1, 2027.
- This sends a powerful message to investors: Canada and Alberta are back in the business of building major energy projects.
- We're positioning Canada to become a global energy superpower at the exact moment the world needs reliable and secure energy.
- Expanding market access means more investment, more jobs, a stronger economy for Alberta families.

- This agreement delivers predictable and realistic industrial carbon pricing that will save Alberta industry roughly \$250 billion by 2050.
- Our government is reducing regulatory uncertainty, lowering costs, building critical infrastructure, and securing Alberta's long-term energy future.

Key Facts:

- The proposed west coast oil pipeline will transport more than one million barrels of oil per day to international markets.
 - The carbon price will remain at \$95 per tonne for the rest of 2026, rise to \$100 per tonne from 2027 until 2030, and will be rolled back substantially to \$130 per tonne by 2035.
- o For comparison, the previous federal framework would have required a carbon price of \$170 per tonne by 2030.
- o This means Alberta's industry will save approximately \$250 billion over the next two decades to 2050 in carbon tax pricing.
- The agreement includes sector-specific stringency factors for large Alberta emitters in the oil and gas and electricity sectors under Alberta's Technology, Innovation and Emissions Reduction (TIER) system.
 - The new agreement will also target a market price on TIER credits of \$130 per tonne by 2040 and will advance a floor price into the system starting in 2030 to eliminate price volatility, bring predictability, and attract investment in emission-reduction technologies.

Alberta's government is launching the oilsands mine water policy engagement throughout 2026.

Key Messages:

- Alberta is taking action to clean up tailing's ponds. That's why, to accelerate the management of oil sands mine water and fluid tailings, Alberta is launching a series of engagements throughout 2026 to shape a long-term provincial strategy.

- These engagements will help us implement the 2025 Oil Sands Mine Water Steering Committee recommendations, while ensuring these waters are managed safely, transparently, and protects downstream communities and ecosystems.
- Feedback gathered during the engagements, including from Indigenous communities and organizations and others, will help shape future provincial approaches for managing oil sands mine water and fluid tailings.
- Alberta's government is committed to finding solutions that protect people, the environment and traditional uses while providing clarity for industry.
- This engagement process is critical to ensuring our policies reflect the full range of perspectives and expertise needed to get this right, now and for future generations.

Key facts:

- Alberta's industries are global leaders in cutting freshwater use per barrel and advancing science-driven reclamation.
 - From 2013 to 2024, oil sands mine operations reduced freshwater use per barrel by 19 per cent and increased recycled water use by 69% per cent.
- The Oil Sands Mine Water Steering Committee, established in 2024 delivered nine recommendations to accelerate mine water management and tailings pond reclamation.
 - The Steering Committee included representatives from Indigenous communities, academia, industry, and government.
- Alberta's oil sands tailings ponds hold more than 1.5 billion cubic metres of fluid tailings and more than 380 million cubic metres of mine water, underscoring the scale of this complex environmental challenge.

Background:

- The engagement process will bring together Indigenous communities and organizations, industry operators, federal government, technology providers, non-profits, and northern governments to inform policies grounded in science, community input and practical implementation.

- Throughout 2026, Alberta will lead a series of meetings, technical sessions, roundtables, and opportunities for written feedback to advance priorities such as reuse and disposal options, consistent measurement methods, treatment standards, strengthened monitoring and transparency, and proven pathways for pit lake development.
- This work reflects Alberta's commitment to ongoing collaboration with Indigenous communities, industry and other governments to build a long-term, science driven approach to enhanced oil sands mine water management and tailings pond reclamation.

The Premier has announced she will be requesting cabinet approve a new question to be added to the October 19, 2027, provincial Referendum. The proposed question reads: "Should Alberta remain a province of Canada, or should the Government of Alberta commence the legal process required under the Canadian Constitution to hold a binding provincial referendum on whether or not Alberta should separate from Canada?"

Key Messages

- To be clear, our caucus and government fully support Alberta remaining in Canada.
- Our position has always been to build a strong and sovereign Alberta within a united Canada.
- The recent court decision deeming a referendum petition on separatism unconstitutional — based on the judge's view that consultation with a First Nation band was insufficient — raises serious concerns about restricting Albertans democratic rights.
- The government will be appealing this decision to Alberta's Court of Appeal, and if necessary, the Supreme Court of Canada. However, those legal proceedings could take years.
- Hundreds of thousands of Albertans (nearly 700,000 Albertans) signed petitions on both sides of this issue.
- Albertans deserve the opportunity to express their views at the ballot box.
- We remain focused on strengthening Alberta's position within Canada by defending provincial jurisdiction, advancing resource development, and securing economic opportunities for Albertans.

Key Facts

- Nearly 700,000 Albertans — representing nearly a quarter of Alberta’s eligible voting population — have signed referendum petitions on both sides of the issue, including the “Forever Canada” petition requesting a referendum on Alberta remaining in Canada, and the “Stay Free Alberta” petition requesting a referendum on leaving Canada.
- The second option of this referendum question would not trigger separation.
 - If passed, it would direct Alberta’s government to commence the legal process necessary to hold a binding referendum on the matter.
 - More information on the previously announced immigration and constitutional questions is available at www.AlbertaReferendum2026.ca

Alberta’s government has put together an expert panel of post-secondary and industry leaders to better understand how (AI) is changing how people learn and work across Alberta.

Key Messages:

- Our government supports a thoughtful, evidence-based approach to AI use across the post-secondary system.
- To prepare students for an AI-enabled future and a changing workforce, we are assembling an expert panel.
 - Our government is working with post-secondary institutions and industry to better align education with emerging skills and workforce needs.
 - The expert panel will review how AI is used across the system and identify opportunities to strengthen student readiness and success.
 - This work will help ensure graduates have the practical skills, judgment and adaptability needed for the jobs of tomorrow.
- We are working with post-secondary institutions and industry to ensure students graduate with the skills employers need in AI driven economy.

Key Facts

- Alberta's government is engaging with post-secondary institutions and industry to better understand how AI is shaping learning and work.
- Early discussions show AI adoption is growing but varies across programs and sectors.
 - Employers are looking for graduates who can apply AI in real-world settings and use sound judgment.
- To support this work, an expert panel will review current practices, assess impacts on graduates and identify opportunities to better align education with workforce needs.
- The panel will provide recommendations to strengthen Alberta's post secondaries and enhance our global competitiveness, with a final report expected after the review.
 - The findings will inform future actions to strengthen student outcomes and support economic growth.

Background:

- AE hosted an AI roundtable on April 29, 2026, which brought together post-secondary and industry leaders to share insights on graduate readiness and workforce demand.
 - AI adoption is already occurring, but uneven and fragmented, with significant variation by institution, program, and individual practice.
 - Work is shifting from individual task execution toward automated workflows and "agentic" systems, increasing the importance of oversight and judgment.
 - Assessment, academic integrity, and the credibility of credentials are under growing pressure.
 - Graduate preparedness is framed less around tools and more around adaptability, judgment, and applied experience.
 - Data readiness, privacy, intellectual property and governance uncertainty are constraints on scaling AI use.
 - Government leadership is most valued as enabling and coordinating, rather than prescribing detailed or rigid approaches.
- Building from the roundtable discussions, an expert panel will be established to review AI use in post-secondary education and assess impacts on students and the labour market.
- The panel will examine best practices, including approaches used in other jurisdictions.

- Work will begin in spring 2026 for approximately nine months and the panel will provide recommendations to strengthen Alberta’s post-secondary system and global competitiveness.

Parents and the opposition are calling for timelier notification when serious allegations are reported at a childcare program. Government is announcing on-site and public notices for high-risk, potentially criminal incidents.

Key Messages:

- Parents have been clear: they want earlier notice of potential criminal allegations in childcare. We are updating policy to ensure faster notification while protecting privacy and active investigations.
- For high-risk or potentially criminal incidents, licensed childcare programs must post a notice on site within one business day—or as soon as possible—in a place visible to all parents.
- To strengthen transparency, these notices will also be posted on Alberta.ca alongside existing inspection and enforcement information.
- We are also encouraging programs to publicly post their safety plans so parents can see how children are being protected. These plans have always been required but were not routinely shared.
- Parents have a right to know what affects their children. We will continue strengthening notification requirements and work with the sector to support safe, high-quality care.

Key facts:

- These new public and on-site notices will apply to high-risk, potentially criminal incidents involving possible harm to children at facility-based programs. They will not include names or identifying information.
- Alberta’s childcare licensing team will determine on a case-by-case basis whether an incident meets the risk threshold for the new notification process, generally focusing on those that present ongoing risk to children at the program. Examples could include allegations of abuse or neglect.
- Families whose children are known to be involved in an incident will continue to be notified directly by the program.

- Since public notices will be posted before investigations are completed, they may involve unconfirmed allegations. To ensure the information on Alberta.ca remains up to date and relevant, all notices will be removed after 90 days.
- These changes to parent notification do not affect family day homes because family day home agencies are responsible for closing individual homes after serious incidents, communicating directly with families and offering backup care options.
- While Alberta's childcare licensing team has always followed up with programs by phone or email on incidents and allegations as soon as they become aware of them, only the families of affected children were typically notified by the program.
- For incidents deemed high risk and potentially criminal, licensing staff will now visit in person the next business day, or as soon as operationally feasible. This policy change allows parents to receive basic information more quickly via the inspection report, which serves as the on-site notice.
- Childcare programs were already required to post the results of licensing inspections and investigations, but these are sometimes delayed by weeks or even months to allow other authorities to investigate first (e.g. law enforcement, child intervention, public health). Changing inspection practices will allow more families to be notified sooner, though the information that can be shared will remain limited.
- Alberta has recently made related improvements to transparency, quality and safety in childcare. In fall 2024, childcare legislation was amended to allow more enforcement options when childcare programs do not meet provincial standards, including administrative penalties, full or partial closures and enforcement decisions made in the public interest.
- These changes also allow parents and the public to view ECE certification status for all certified early childhood educators (ECEs), and stop orders issued against unlicensed childcare providers on Alberta.ca.

Background:

- There have been a number of high-profile criminal allegations in licensed childcare facilities, including alleged physical assault at Little Stars Montessori and alleged sexual abuse at Willowbrae Academy Millcreek and Kidstown Daycare.
- In the wake of the Willowbrae Academy Millcreek allegations, where parents were not informed for months due to a police investigation, an advocacy group has formed and has met twice with the Minister's Office to call for change to parent notification policy.

- Program history is already available via the Childcare Lookup Tool (going back 18 months) and the public notices page on Alberta.ca.

Parents can also find administrative penalties issued to licensed programs, stop orders issued to unlicensed providers and the certification status of any certified ECE in Alberta.

Albertans will soon see a new driver's licence and identification card that provides them with one secure card to access programs and services.

Key Messages

- Starting July 2, our government is finally getting rid of fragile paper health cards and moving to one secure card for everyday services and programs.
 - Albertans renewing or applying for a driver's licence or ID card will now have their personal health number added to the back of their card.
 - Eligible Canadian citizens will also see a citizenship marker added to the front of their driver's licence or ID card.
- This means no more carrying multiple pieces of ID, worrying about paper health cards falling apart, or digging out a birth certificate to prove your citizenship.
- The new cards come at no extra cost, include enhanced security features to help prevent fraud, and make accessing services simpler for Albertans.

Key Facts

- The new cards will be the same price as the old cards.

Background

- Implementation will roll out in two phases to ensure a smooth transition for Albertans;
 - **Phase One**
 - All Albertans will confirm their legal presence in person at a registry agent when renewing their card or obtaining one for the first time, using acceptable documentation such as a Canadian birth certificate. Once Canadian citizenship is confirmed, a "CAN" marker will be added to the top right corner of the card.

- When renewing their card or obtaining one for the first time, eligible Albertans who are citizens or permanent residents with AHCIP coverage will begin receiving cards with their Personal Health Number integrated on the back, including youth aged 12-13, who may receive a free ID card with an integrated Personal Health Number.
- **Phase Two**
 - Personal Health Number integration will expand to all remaining eligible Albertans who are citizens or permanent residents with AHCIP coverage. Children under 14 will also be able to receive a free ID card with an integrated Personal Health Number, with the option to include a photo and signature.

Alberta's government is investing almost \$5 million for landowners to protect natural areas while keeping people working.

Key Messages:

- Alberta's government is partnering with public and not-for-profit organizations, farmers, and ranchers to conserve private land and support healthy ecosystems across the province.
- We are providing \$5 million through the Private Land Conservation Program and the Ecosystem Services Grant Program to support 10 different projects across Alberta.
- Together, they will conserve over 8,500 acres and support ecosystem services on another 8,800 acres of ecologically vital, biodiverse private land.
- These projects will help create and maintain wildlife habitat, protect watersheds, and support species at risk, including the greater sage-grouse.
- This funding will help protect some of Alberta's most ecologically important areas for generations to come.

Key Facts

- Since 2011, the Private Land Conservation Program, formerly the Land Trust Grant Program, has awarded more than \$118 million to land trust organizations, helping conserve more than 289,000 acres of private land.
- Projects are evaluated and funding is awarded based on guidelines that align with Alberta's long-term conservation goals.

Approved Private Land Conservation Program projects:

Crooked Creek Conservancy Society of Athabasca

- CCCSA D 2026-02 (Athabasca County) - 245.2 acres - \$156,790

Edmonton and Area Land Trust

- Beaverhills Conservation Project (Beaver County) - 150.3 acres - \$234,089
- Tide Creek Conservation Project (Leduc County) - 159.6 acres - \$222,933

Western Sky Land Trust Society

- 2599 Ranch (County of Newell) - 4698.6 acres - \$1,264,500
- Highplains Cattle (County of Newell) - 3312.9 acres - \$1,002,500

Approved Ecosystem Services Grant Program projects:

Alberta Conservation Association

- Connectivity-Corridors Project - \$566,022.50

ALUS Canada

- A Natural Investment: A Shovel-Ready, Scalable Model for Retaining Ecosystem Services on Alberta Farmland - \$ 566,022.50

Clearwater County

- Caring for my Land - \$220,000

Foothills Land Trust

- Retention and Improvement of Overlooked Lands in Foothills County - \$267,143

Milk River Watershed Council Canada

- Grasslands for Life: A Payment for Ecosystem Services Program Supporting Native Grassland Stewardship - \$500,000

Alberta's government is investing in new methane emissions reduction technologies and tools that keep the energy sector strong and globally competitive.

Key Messages

- Alberta is a global leader in methane reduction.
- We have shown Canada and the world that strong environmental performance and a competitive energy sector go hand in hand.
- New investments are accelerating real-world solutions, with more than \$8 million from the TIER fund supporting 16 projects and a new online tool that will help industry reduce emissions while lowering costs.
- Alberta's methane innovation system takes good ideas from concept to deployment, with the NGIF Accelerator supporting early-stage testing and ERA helping proven technologies scale across operations.
- Alberta's approach is working, with industry cutting methane emissions by more than half since 2014 while production has increased, reinforcing the province's position as a global energy and environmental leader.

Key Facts

- Alberta announced more than \$22 million from the TIER fund for ERA's Methane Reduction Deployment Program last fall. Canada's investment of \$19.4 million brings the total funding available for ERA's program to more than \$41 million.
- Through TIER funding, NGIF Accelerator is also launching a new Methane Technology Landscape, an online tool that gives industry the information needed to invest and move methane projects forward faster.
- Alberta was the first jurisdiction in Canada to set a methane reduction target and achieved its 45 per cent reduction from 2014 levels three years early in 2022.
- Alberta has invested \$172 million in methane reduction technology since 2020.
- Canada and Alberta reached an agreement-in-principle that allows Alberta to keep regulating methane using its own proven system. Independent modelling will be completed this summer, with finalization of the agreement by the end of 2026.

Alberta's government and the Alberta Pharmacists' Association have reached a new agreement to make pharmacy care more convenient, affordable and easier to access.

Key messages

- Albertans need reliable access to both prescriptions and everyday care from their local pharmacist.
- Our government is protecting access to front-line pharmacy services while keeping costs sustainable for the health system.
- This new agreement with pharmacists strikes the right balance between investing in care Albertans rely on while managing costs.
- We are increasing support for pharmacy services to meet growing demand and improve access across the province.
- By expanding pharmacist-led care, including in rural and remote communities, we are delivering on our commitment to make care easier to access no matter where Albertans live

- This approach ensures pharmacists are reasonably compensated while delivering better care for Albertans.

Key facts

- The new framework includes:
 - Pharmacy funding increasing by 3% for two years, with a review in year three.
 - Dispensing fees are going up: \$12.35 for most prescriptions, \$13.50 for longer ones.
 - Fees for over-the-counter drugs are removed for government drug plans, but upcharges allowed.
 - A pilot project will test expanded pharmacy care in rural areas
 - Health screening, testing, and acute assessments.
 - Specialized pharmacists will be paid differently for work in multi-disciplinary settings.
 - Annual care plans and medication management will collect more data to measure benefits.
 - Cost-saving steps: \$13,000 cap for clinical services every 28 days, longer refills for maintenance meds, and daily dispense limits.

Alberta is moving forward with a dual practice model launching this fall, which will expand access to surgical care, reduce wait times, and strengthen Alberta's health care system.

Key Messages

- Alberta's dual practice model will allow eligible physicians to deliver both publicly funded and privately paid surgeries in approved facilities starting in September 2026, expanding access to care within the province.

- Our government will ensure dual practice includes strong safeguards, allowing only specified surgeries to protect the public surgical system, and increasing access to care responsibly.
- Alberta will continue to strengthen its public surgical system, building on record-high surgical volumes last year and investments supporting up to 50,000 additional surgeries.
- Dual practice aligns Alberta with other high-performing health systems including Denmark, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Spain and Australia, which combine strong public funding with flexible delivery models.
- Alberta continues to fully comply with the Canada Health Act and remains committed to its Public Health Guarantee, ensuring no Albertan will ever have to pay out of pocket for medically necessary care.

Key Facts

- New safeguards will protect the health system and ensure dual practice supports access to publicly funded care, including:
 - Requiring that all dual practice physicians complete a minimum number of hours in the public health system before offering private surgeries
 - Excluding most family physicians from dual practice
 - Prohibiting any privately paid surgeries for life-threatening conditions such as cancer and emergency procedures
 - Requiring integrated electronic records for privately provided services provided privately, and
 - Mandatory reporting requirements for all physicians.
- Dual practice physicians will only be able to perform surgeries approved by the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta (CPSA) for non-hospital surgical facilities, including:
 - Orthopedic procedures
 - Gynecological procedures
 - Ophthalmology procedures

- Ear, nose and throat procedures
- Dermatology procedures
- Plastic surgery
- Minimally invasive general surgery
- An expression of interest process for physicians will open June 22, 2026, followed by a formal application process later this summer.

Alberta is launching a new Minister's Council to find practical, innovative ways for municipalities to finance the infrastructure that growing communities need — without raising the tax burden on Albertans. It's about giving municipalities of every size, from our smallest rural communities to our largest cities, more tools in their toolbox to build the roads, water systems and services Albertans rely on.

Key messages

- Alberta's government is creating a new Minister's Council on Municipal Infrastructure Financing to find smart, practical ways for municipalities to fund the infrastructure their growing communities need.
- People keep choosing Alberta, and with that growth comes a responsibility to make sure our communities can keep up. This Council is about giving municipalities more tools to build, not bigger tax bills for Albertans.
- We're bringing the right people to the table, municipal leaders, industry, and the financial sector, to find made-for-Alberta solutions that work for communities of every size.
- The province will keep supporting municipalities with predictable, responsible funding. This Council is the next step: listening to municipalities and unlocking new financing tools to close the infrastructure gap.
- The Alberta advantage, what keeps our province and municipalities competitive, relies on a low tax environment, finding new ways to sustainably invest in the growing demand for infrastructure without increasing the tax burden on Albertans is

paramount to maintain our advantage, grow our economy and meet the growing demand for services.

Key facts

- Alberta's municipalities own roughly 60 per cent of all public infrastructure in the province, including roads, bridges, water treatment and recreation facilities.
- Budget 2026's three-year Capital Plan includes \$7.1 billion to support municipal infrastructure.
- Through the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF), capital funding totalled \$820 million in 2025 and \$800 million in 2026.
- Alberta also administers the federal Building Communities Strong Fund – Community Stream (formerly the Canada Community-Building Fund), which provided \$276 million to Alberta municipalities in both 2025 and 2026.
- Alberta has led every province and territory in net interprovincial migration for 14 consecutive quarters, driving demand for new and upgraded community infrastructure.

Alberta's government is cutting red tape for municipal compost facilities to make it easier to divert yard waste from landfills.

Key Messages

- Alberta's government is cutting red tape for small, low-risk municipal compost facilities, making it easier and more cost-effective for communities to divert yard waste from landfills.
- Municipal compost facilities that accept 500 tonnes or less of leaf and yard waste annually will now be exempt from the Code of Practice for Compost Facilities and certified operator requirements.

- This practical exemption reduces the burden on municipalities while helping communities divert waste from landfills, reduce emissions, lower transportation costs, and create valuable compost for local use.

Key Facts

- Yard waste includes grass, leaves, branches, organic garden waste and trees. It is estimated to make up about 9.8% of total municipal waste in Alberta.
- There are approximately 14-yard waste facilities in Alberta that accept 500 tonnes per year or less and are owned and operated by a municipality.
- Alberta was the only province that had a certified operator requirement.
- Organic waste, if not turned into compost, can attract pests, produce leachate and offensive gases, and cause fires.

Alberta is investing in physician compensation to expand access to doctors, ease pressure on emergency departments and improve care across the province.

Key Messages

- We remain committed to staying competitive in recruiting and retaining physicians and cementing Alberta as the best province in Canada to practice medicine.
- We are investing an additional \$172.3 million in physician compensation as part of the 2022–26 agreement with the Alberta Medical Association (AMA), which will help ease emergency department pressures, improve rural recruitment, and modernize physician compensation.
- With Alberta's physician workforce at a record high, this investment continues to strengthen recruitment and retention across all specialties and regions so Albertans can access the care they need, when and where they need it.

Key Facts

- With this investment, Alberta has now committed more than \$1 billion to supporting physicians since 2022, including \$780 million in new investments already negotiated under the 2022–26 AMA agreement, as well as additional investments in primary care compensation, physician panel support and market rate review increases.
- The \$172.3 million is allocated across two areas of physician compensation:
 - \$87.7 million modernizes Alternative Relationship Plan (ARP) rates, bringing enhanced emergency medicine compensation, expanded after-hours billing, and support for physicians transitioning away from outdated stipend arrangements.
 - \$84.6 million goes toward fee-for-service rate increases for the vast majority of Alberta physicians.
- The three per cent overall increase was determined through binding arbitration; the arbitrator's decision noted Alberta's strong physicians' attraction and retention results and awarded increases that ensure physician compensation remains competitive and fiscally responsible.
- Physician rate increases will be implemented as soon as possible and be retroactive to April 1, 2025.
- Negotiations between Alberta's government and the Alberta Medical Association on a new master agreement are ongoing.

Classrooms have become more complex due to rapid enrolment growth and increasingly diverse student needs. Alberta's government is investing \$100 million for the 2026-27 school year to strengthen supports for classrooms and help with classroom complexity.

Key Messages

- Classrooms have become increasingly complex, and teachers, schools and students need more support.

- To help ensure every student receives the support they need to succeed, and to help teachers manage increasing complexity, we are investing \$100 million to expand K–12 supports, including adding new complexity teams, enhancing resources for grades 7–12, and providing more training for staff.
- This \$100 million is on top of the \$143 million already committed to hire 476 complexity teams comprising of one teacher and two education assistants.
 - As of April 30, 86 per cent of the teaching positions and 79 per cent of the educational assistant positions within complexity teams have been filled.
 - This includes 418 teachers and 746 educational assistants.
- The money will be allocated as follows:
 - \$75 million for 221 new complexity teams: 158 grades 7-12 teams and 63 K-6 teams
 - \$25 million for a range of targeted supports, such as training and increasing access to specialized supports and services for students in rural and remote areas.
- We are also strengthening early intervention and improving access to specialized services across the province, including in rural and remote communities.
- This investment builds on recent actions, including funding to hire more than 1,400 teachers and establish hundreds of complexity teams.

Quick facts

- **K-6 complexity teams:**
 - provide early, coordinated, school-based support for younger students in complex classrooms.
 - typically include one teacher and two educational assistants and are focused on providing additional hands-on classroom support.
 - the new K-6 complexity will support up to 63 new teachers and 126 new educational assistants.

- **Grades 7-12 complexity teams:**
 - provide more specialized behavioural supports for older students, particularly those with more complex needs.
 - the new grade 7-12 complexity teams will support up to 158 new teachers and 158 educational assistants with access to additional specialists
- Budget 2026 provides \$355 million to support class size and classroom complexity in the 2026-27 school year, including:
 - \$200 million Class Size Reduction Grant to hire more than 1,400 teachers and reduce class sizes
 - \$100 million to address complexity, including \$75 million for K-6 and grades 7-12 complexity teams, and another \$25 million for a range of targeted supports, such as training, capacity building, and increasing access in rural and remote areas.
 - \$55 million to continue the Classroom Complexity Grant
- These investments build on a \$143 million investment in February 2026 to support up to 476 complexity teams, made-up of teachers and educational assistants, in the most complex K-6 classrooms in the current school year.
 - As of April 30, 86 per cent of the teaching positions and 79 per cent of the educational assistant positions within complexity teams have been filled. Including 418 teachers and 746 educational assistants.
- All school boards remain committed to hiring all allocated complexity team positions by the start of the 2026-27 school year

Background

- Alberta has experienced significant enrolment growth, with nearly 90,000 additional students entering the system over the past four years, increasing classroom pressures.
- Budget 2026 provides \$355 million to address class size and classroom complexity, including \$300 million in new funding in addition to the \$55 million provided through the Classroom Complexity Grant. The new funding includes \$200 million to hire

more teachers and reduce class sizes and \$100 million for additional classroom complexity supports.

- All public, separate, and francophone school jurisdictions are eligible for and will receive at least one additional complexity team. All rural and remote public, separate and francophone school jurisdictions will be eligible for the rural and remote component of the new funding. The funding will support 221 new complexity teams: 158 grades 7-12 teams and 63 new K-12 teams.
- The Class Size and Complexity Cabinet Committee has guided a phased, data-driven approach, ensuring investments are targeted to areas of greatest need.

Alberta's government has filed its submission for the West Coast Oil Pipeline to the federal Major Projects Office for listing as a project of national interest.

Key Messages

- Canada can become an energy superpower if we build the infrastructure to get our resources to market and that's why Alberta has submitted a responsible, world-class proposal for a new oil pipeline to the West Coast.
- Alberta has chosen a southern corridor from Bruderheim, Alberta, to the southwest coast of British Columbia for the new West Coast Oil Pipeline.
- This pipeline will connect Alberta's energy resources to Asian markets (including to countries like Japan, Korea, and India).
- This route will offer the fastest, most cost-effective path to expanding Canada's energy exports.
- The benefits will go far beyond energy. This project will create jobs and opportunities in manufacturing, engineering, transportation, and other services — driving economic growth nationwide and generating revenues that support public services.
- Alberta's and Canada's governments have also agreed to support the Oilsands Alliance to grow production while building Pathways — the world's largest carbon capture and storage project.
- This will make Alberta bitumen among the lowest-emission heavy oil in the world.

Key Facts

- Alberta holds the world's fourth-largest proven oil reserves (177 billion barrels — nearly nine times Texas) and is the fourth-largest global oil producer.
- The West Coast Oil Pipeline will transport over 1 million barrels per day to Canada's West Coast, supporting Alberta's goal of doubling oil production to 8 million barrels per day in the next 10 years.
- The proposed pipeline builds on existing infrastructure, reflects feedback from Indigenous groups and the Government of British Columbia, reduces regulatory barriers given it would not be subject to the *Oil Tanker Moratorium Act* (Bill C-48), and gets Canadian oil to global markets faster.
- A technical advisory group, including Canada's largest pipeline companies, helped develop Alberta's strong, evidence-based submission.

Background

- The Alberta-Canada landmark energy agreement announced in May includes a commitment from the federal government to a timely review of Alberta's submission for a west coast pipeline, with the goal of achieving national interest listing by Oct. 1, 2026, and obtaining the permissions necessary for the design and construction of the pipeline to commence as early as Sept. 1, 2027.

Pembina Pipeline, Kineticor Asset Management and Morgan Stanley Infrastructure Partners announced a final investment decision on the Greenlight Electricity Centre to power a potential new data centre.

Key messages

- We're thrilled that a final investment decision has been made for the Greenlight Electricity Centre, a natural gas-powered electricity facility, to power a potential new data centre in Sturgeon County.

- This \$4.6 billion capital investment will support 1,000 good-paying construction jobs and 30 long-term skilled positions, as well as millions in royalties from natural gas, when operational.
- Alberta is primed for even more investments of this magnitude, as it shows what's possible under the landmark energy agreement between Alberta and the federal government.
 - By getting the federal government to agree to remove the Clean Electricity Regulations that were hurting investment in dispatchable baseload power in our province, we have opened the doors for more projects like this.
 - The agreement will allow Alberta to increase oil and gas production, secure more energy projects, and attract billions of dollars in investment that will grow and diversify our economy for years to come.
- Alberta's 'Bring Your Own Power' model for AI data centre projects is designed to protect the reliability and affordability of electricity that Albertans depend on.
 - By having data centres bring their own generation and pay for related power infrastructure, this framework ensures that projects like this one will actually reduce transmission costs on Alberta's utility bills.

Key facts

- The Greenlight Electricity Centre is a natural gas-powered electricity facility approved to supply 932 megawatts to a potential new data centre in Sturgeon County.
- The project is a \$4.6-billion capital investment that will support about 1,000 good paying construction jobs and 30 long-term skilled positions.

Meta is making a record \$13-billion AI data centre investment in Alberta. This will be the largest AI investment in Canadian history and one of the largest AI investments in North America. Meta will build a hyperscale AI data centre campus in Sturgeon County.

Key messages

- Alberta has secured the largest AI investment in Canadian history, and it's not by accident, we've worked hard to put Alberta on the international stage for data centre infrastructure, and it's worked.
- Every single sector is using AI to make services better, faster and smarter and Alberta is leading the way.
- Alberta Taxpayers are not funding a single cent of this infrastructure, there will be no public subsidy, no tax abatements, and no provincial revenue investment, this is 100 per cent private sector-driven direct investment into Alberta.
- While other jurisdictions are still making decisions on if data centres should be something they build, Alberta has taken a smart, responsible approach to establish clear rules, levy structures, and environmental requirements before opening the door to investment.

Economic impact

- The project is expected to create more than 3,000 skilled trades jobs during construction phase and will create 300 permanent operations jobs.
- This will create lasting economic benefit in Alberta communities across the supply chain.
- This will generate approximately \$250 million annually in benefits for Albertans, including through royalties, taxes, levies and fees.
- Meta is also investing approximately \$60 million in local infrastructure improvements, including roads and water infrastructure.

- In addition, in partnership with Project Greenlight, a \$4.6 Billion, 932MW natural gas fired electricity generation facility announced by Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Morgan Stanley Infrastructure Partners and KinetiCor, Alberta ratepayers will see an up to 6 per cent decrease on their electrical bill's transmission costs.

Water

- Protecting Alberta's water resources has also been a key consideration in the project's design.
- Meta's Sturgeon Data Centre will use a closed-loop, liquid-cooled system with dry cooling that requires no operational water use for cooling. The project will use less water than an average golf course.
- Water use at the site will be limited to domestic uses, fire protection and equipment maintenance, with all required approvals subject to Alberta's Water Act.

Electricity

- The data centre campus will be developed under Alberta's "bring your own power" approach.
- Rather than relying solely on Alberta's electricity grid, the project will combine grid-connected electricity with new, on-site natural gas generation, helping protect grid reliability while supporting one of the largest private investments in Canadian history.

Land

- The Sturgeon Data Centre will be within Alberta's Industrial Heartland, a designated industrial zone not used for farming, residential housing or food production.
- The investment also includes new digital infrastructure connecting Alberta to broader North American networks, a lasting benefit to Alberta businesses and communities.

Quick facts

- The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) determined independently that 1,200 MW could be allocated for data centre projects without compromising the reliability and stability of the grid.
- The analysis accounted for population growth to ensure grid connections will not cause power shortages or negatively affect ratepayers.
- The data centre levy applies to large grid-connected data centres and is fully deductible against Alberta corporate income tax, ensuring this project contributes to the province from day one.
- Alberta's guidelines direct data centres to previously developed industrial land.
- Municipalities control land use decisions, and provincial guidelines encourage projects to avoid agricultural land.

Ontario unveils new west-east oil pipeline route with Alberta

Key messages

- Ontario's government just mapped out a new 3,300 km pipeline route for the Northern Shield Energy Corridor, from Hardisty, Alberta, to Sarnia, Ontario.
- This gives Alberta more barrier-free access to eastern refineries and open-water ports, while helping Canada maximize the full value of its energy resources and reach new customers around the world.
- A new west-east pipeline will help fast-track Alberta's goal to double oil production, delivering another 500,000 barrels per day and up to 800,000 barrels per day with future expansions.
- This builds on Alberta's push for more market access alongside joint efforts with the federal government to construct a new million barrel per day west coast pipeline to help feed growing Asian markets.

- This project is about making Alberta and Canada stronger. We can create jobs, grow our economy and make better use of the world-class resources we already have.

Key facts

- In August 2025, Ontario issued a request for proposals for the feasibility study following the July 2025 memorandum of understanding between the three provinces to collaborate on building pipelines and trade infrastructure across provincial borders and into global markets.
- The Government of Ontario is commencing work to estimate costs and examine commercial models and related development opportunities for the energy corridor.

Alberta's government is investing \$50 million over five years in the Alberta Machine Intelligence Institute (Amii) to put AI to work for Albertans.

Key messages

- Alberta has led the world in artificial intelligence (AI) research for more than two decades.
- This investment puts that expertise to work on the everyday services Albertans rely on, while growing and diversifying the province's economy.
- AI has the potential to cut wait times and paperwork in health care, education and social services and Amii is instrumental in implementation of these AI tools.
- This commitment adds up to new jobs, new private investment, and keeping the ideas, patents and people Alberta develops right here at home.

Key facts

- Five ministries are partnering to support the total \$50 million investment over five years:
 - Technology and Innovation: \$15 million
 - Advanced Education: \$15 million
 - Assisted Living and Social Services: \$10 million
 - Primary and Preventative Health Services: \$5 million
 - Education and Childcare: \$5 million
- Amii is one of Canada's three national AI institutes and a global centre for research in reinforcement learning, a field in which Alberta is recognized as a world leader.
- Alberta's government has invested about \$100 million in Amii since 2002.
- Amii is one of three national AI institutes in Canada, alongside Mila in Quebec and the Vector Institute in Ontario, under the Pan-Canadian AI Strategy.
- In 2023, Amii helped 30,983 people build AI skills, worked with 107 companies to adopt or advance AI and supported 91 startups.
- Amii sustains 471 active researchers and teams and 36 Canada CIFAR AI Chairs.

A new report shows the oilsands sector has reduced emissions per barrel by 28 per cent while doubling production since 2012.

Key Messages

- Alberta's government is committed to reducing emissions while growing oilsands production and this report demonstrates that our approach is delivering results.
- Even as oilsands production has doubled since 2012, emissions per barrel have declined by 28 per cent.
- Alberta's oilsands sector continues to strengthen its environmental performance through investment, innovation, and the adoption of new technologies.

Key Facts

- The Oil Sands Greenhouse Gas Emissions report is Alberta's comprehensive annual assessment of oilsands emissions intensity. Read the report here: [Alberta Oil Sands Greenhouse Gas Emissions Intensity Analysis](#)
- Since 2012, annual oilsands production has grown from approximately 600 million barrels to more than 1.2 billion barrels, while emissions intensity has declined by 28 per cent – a two per cent improvement over the previous reporting year.

Alberta's government is taking action to stop the spread of goldfish and other invasive fish species.

Key Messages

- Alberta's government is committed to stopping the spread of goldfish and other invasive fish species.
- Goldfish, and other invasive fish, are among Alberta's most disruptive aquatic invasive species, posing significant risks to native ecosystems when left unchecked.
- Through our "Don't Let It Loose" campaign, we're reminding the public to never release aquarium pets, water garden plants, live food, sportfish or live bait into Alberta's rivers, streams, lakes, ponds or storm drains.
- We are asking Albertans to report sightings of goldfish and other invasive fish to the Aquatic Invasive Species Hotline at 1-855-336-BOAT (2628) and provide a clear photo showing the fish's entire body and fins for staff follow up.
- It is illegal in Alberta to move live fish from one water body to another. Penalties can be up to \$100,000 and/or one year in prison.
 - If you witness the suspected intentional release of an aquatic invasive species in Alberta, please call the 24/7 Report A Poacher hotline toll-free at 1-800-642-3800.

Key Facts

- Invasive fish can thrive in harsh, changing environments, giving them an advantage over native species and threatening Alberta's aquatic ecosystems.
- A single released goldfish can produce an estimated 40,000 offspring within three years, reproducing up to three times annually.
- Invasive fish are opportunistic feeders, consuming almost anything organic, including small fish, aquatic insects, and vegetation.
- Invasive fish carry diseases and parasites that can be introduced into the environment including from fish that have been inappropriately disposed of dead or alive.

Starting July 31, 2026, Albertans will be able to purchase and self-refer for private diagnostic screening services, including MRIs, CT scans, x-rays and ultrasounds.

Key messages

- Albertans deserve more options to be proactive about their health and identify potential health concerns sooner.
- Early detection saves lives by allowing treatment to begin sooner, when it is more effective, less invasive, and outcomes are better.
- Preventative testing will complement, not replace, the publicly funded system.
 - All medically necessary care will continue to be publicly funded under Alberta's Public Health Care Guarantee.
- This change is about choice, access and earlier information for Albertans, while protecting the public health system we rely on.

Key facts

- Alberta is the first in the country to offer reimbursement for preventative health testing.
- Starting July 31, 2026, Albertans will be able to purchase and self-refer for private diagnostic screening services, including MRIs, CT scans, x-rays and ultrasounds.
- If cancer is detected or suspected, Albertans will be referred to Cancer Care Alberta for follow-up and ongoing care.
- If preventative screening results in a diagnosis of cancer, Albertans will be reimbursed for eligible testing costs up to established publicly funded reimbursement rates.
 - Albertans will have a full year to submit their claim for reimbursement at publicly funded rates upon receiving a cancer diagnosis.
- Clinics will set their own prices, and Albertans should confirm costs before proceeding.

The Governments of Canada and Alberta have signed an agreement to invest in water and wastewater infrastructure to support new housing in Alberta.

Key messages

- Alberta is partnering with the federal government to invest in the water and wastewater infrastructure communities need to support more housing.
- The agreement protects Alberta's authority to choose projects based on local priorities and growth needs.
- The new partnership allows Alberta municipalities to access more than \$510 million in federal funding over eight years through the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF).
- Alberta will contribute at least one-third of eligible municipal project costs, unlocking more than \$428 million in provincial funding.

- As part of this agreement, Alberta will contribute a minimum of one-third of eligible project costs led by municipal governments unlocking up to \$428 million of provincial funding for qualifying projects.
- Alberta will identify and prioritize projects, helping municipalities, rural communities and Indigenous communities build the infrastructure needed for growth.
 - At least \$100 million in federal funding is dedicated to projects in rural and Indigenous communities.
- Transportation and Economic Corridors is developing the first list of projects for submission to the federal government by November 30, 2026.

Key facts

- The agreement provides Alberta access to up to \$510 million in federal funding for projects from 2026-27 to 2033-34.
 - Funding will support eligible public infrastructure projects which enable housing growth by increasing system capacity and reliability.
 - Eligible recipients include municipalities, public sector entities, Indigenous communities and certain private sector organizations working with public partners.
- Under the agreement, Alberta is responsible for identifying and prioritizing projects, entering into funding agreements with recipients, administering claims and reporting requirements, and ensuring compliance with federal program conditions.
- Alberta will contribute a minimum of 33 per cent of eligible expenditures for municipal projects, unless otherwise agreed by the parties.
- The federal contribution may fund up to 100 per cent for eligible Indigenous recipients.

Alberta's government is expanding dialysis capacity at Chinook Regional Hospital in Lethbridge, improving access to life-sustaining treatment for patients in southern Alberta.

Key Messages

- Our government is committed to ensuring patients can access the care they need, when and where they need it, close to home.
- We're investing \$23.4 million to develop a new hemodialysis unit at Chinook Regional Hospital to expand local dialysis capacity by 25 per cent, strengthening specialized kidney services and improving access to care for patients across southern Alberta.
- The expanded Kidney Care Clinic strengthens regional kidney care services by supporting home hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis programs, giving patients greater flexibility and reducing the need to travel for care.
 - Hemodialysis requires frequent, time-intensive treatment, making local access critical to patients' health, stability and quality of life.
- This expansion will help reduce pressure on health services across southern Alberta and ensure more patients can receive the care they need closer to home.

Key Facts

- The new hemodialysis unit at Chinook Regional Hospital will expand access to life-saving kidney care.
 - Treatment stations are increasing from 24 to 30.
 - Weekly treatment capacity will increase by 25%.
 - The expanded unit will support up to 180 patients each week.
- The dedicated Kidney Care Clinic expands treatment options and includes:
 - four clinical rooms
 - five treatment areas
 - supports home hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis programs

- Cases of advanced kidney disease have risen by 20 per cent over the past five years.
- Alberta is a national leader in home dialysis, with 33 per cent of patients starting home dialysis within three months of beginning treatment.
 - This is the highest rate in Canada, exceeding the national average of 23 per cent.

A new Surface Rights Advisory panel has now been established to strengthen property rights by improving the provinces surface rights system.

Key Messages

- Landowners deserve a surface rights system that is fair, responsive and works for them.
- The Surface Rights Advisory Panel has been established to strengthen property rights by improving Alberta's surface rights system.
- The panel will bring together landowners, municipalities, industry and other experts to recommend practical improvements to service delivery and dispute resolution.
- The panel's recommendations will help inform our work to re-establish the Surface Rights Board and improve the responsiveness and timeliness of the surface rights system.

Key Facts

- Kris Bower has been appointed Chair of the Surface Rights Advisory Panel.
- Kris Bower has more than a decade of experience working on land ownership and surface rights issues as a professional land agent and co-founder of Welltraxx Asset Management.
- The panel includes representatives from agriculture, landowners, rural municipalities, industry and surface rights advocacy organizations.

Alberta's government has launched an online information hub and a series of town halls to provide comprehensive information on AI data centre development.

Key messages

- Our government knows some people have questions about AI data centres in Alberta, and they deserve clear answers.
 - Albertans now have one place to get straight clear answers at:
www.alberta.ca/datacentres
- The website highlights what AI data centres are, why they are built here, and how Alberta's rules protect the things that matter: your power bill, your water, your community and your wallet.

Key facts

- Alberta's data centre strategy has already attracted an estimated \$100 to \$200 billion CAD in potential private investment.
- The global AI economy is expected to contribute up to US \$15.7 trillion to the global economy by the 2030s.

Four town halls are scheduled: Ponoka (Aug 19), Sturgeon County (Aug 20), a virtual town hall with the Premier and Minister Glubish (Aug 27), and Grande Prairie (Sept 11)

Alberta's government is investing more than \$38 million in community grants to help non-profits and local organizations strengthen communities and support Alberta families.

Key Messages

- Through Budget 2026, our government is investing more than \$38 million in community grants, funding projects that strengthen communities, support families and sustain important local services.

- This funding is being delivered through programs like the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) and the Community Initiatives Program (CIP), which help non-profits improve public spaces, expand local programs and build organizational capacity.
- Our government's continued partnership with the non-profit sector gives these organizations the resources and flexibility they need to address local priorities and provide the services countless Albertans rely on close to home.

Key Facts

- Grant recipients are funded through the Community Initiatives Program (CIP) and its Operating funding stream, along with the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP).
- Budget 2026 commits \$25 million to the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) and \$13.6 million to the Community Initiatives Program (CIP), maintaining continued support for non-profit organizations.

Background

Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP)

- The Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) fosters healthy, vibrant communities across Alberta by supporting the renewal, expansion, purchase or building of arts, culture, heritage, sport, recreation and other related community public-use facilities.
- CFEP requires matching funding that is equal to or exceeds the funding amount provided by the province.
 - This requirement may trigger matching funds from other levels of government, private companies and individual donors.
 - For every dollar our government invests through CFEP, Alberta communities receive an average of \$3 in additional funding from other partners and sources.
- CFEP Small provides funding up to \$125,000 per project; while CFEP Large provides funding of \$125,001 to \$1 million per project.

Community Initiatives Program (CIP)

- The Community Initiatives Program supports the efforts of eligible organizations that contribute to their communities and create opportunities for Albertans to engage with their communities.
- CIP funding is disbursed through nine programs/streams and initiatives; two of which are open to broad, non-profit organizations:
 - CIP provides funding up to \$75,000 per project through two intakes per fiscal year to projects such as new or enhanced programs and community events.
 - The Community Initiatives Program Organizational Development and Collaboration (ODC) grant provides funding to:
 - Individual non-profit organizations, up to \$50,000, to strengthen their capacity and enhance their sustainability; and
 - Groups of non-profit organizations (collaboratives) working together to address an identified community need or opportunity, up to \$100,000, to support joint planning, shared initiatives, and long-term sector resilience.

Alberta is beginning work to ensure communities, farms and businesses have reliable water supplies for generations to come.

Key Messages

- Alberta's government is developing a white paper to strengthen water security for communities, industry and the agri-food sector over the next 100 years.
- The white paper will take a comprehensive look at Alberta's long-term water needs and the tools that could help meet them, including:
 - New or expanded water storage and conveyance infrastructure;
 - Better use of groundwater;
 - Stronger water measurement and reporting;

- Advanced modelling and forecasting;
 - Policy tools;
 - Potential partnerships;
 - and potential funding models.
- We've also awarded two new two new contracts for water modelling and forecasting projects to support long-term water management in the South Saskatchewan River and Athabasca River basins.
 - Together, the white paper and new modelling tools will help Alberta plan major investments, respond to changing conditions and secure water for communities and economic growth for generations to come.

Key Facts

- A white paper is an in-depth guide on a particular subject, including proposed solutions for addressing related challenges.
- Potential projects and ideas from the white paper would still require detailed technical assessment and considerations before decisions are made.
- Alberta plans to allocate \$400,000 from the 2026-27 Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction Regulation water-availability budget to develop the white paper.
- Both the white paper and two contracts are expected to be completed in spring 2027.
- The white paper will respect Alberta's transboundary water obligations, Indigenous perspectives and Treaty rights, and jurisdictional authority.
 - The white paper will not include reviewing Alberta's commitment to:
 - Alberta's priority system for licensed water allocations, based on the principle of first in-time, first-in-right (FITFIR).
 - The ability to transfer water licences in basins with approved water management plan.

- The ability for inter-basin transfers to be approved by the legislature by special act, Minister (lower risk) or Cabinet (in emergencies).
- Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd. will develop a watershed-scale water-demand forecasting model for the South Saskatchewan River Basin, covering municipal, irrigation, livestock, industrial and commercial water use.
- Aquanty Inc. will operationalize existing HydroGeoSphere models for the Peace and Athabasca river basins, supporting near-real-time, short-term and seasonal hydrological forecasting in northern Alberta.

Alberta is an economic leader for Canada, with new data showing the strongest job growth, highest participation rate, and the biggest share of new employment across the country.

Key message:

- Alberta continues to show its strength as an economic leader within Canada.
- Under the leadership of Premier Danielle Smith, Alberta has increased the number of jobs faster than any other province across the country.
- We are keeping our province the best place to do business, which means major investors choosing Alberta and creating jobs for those who call it home.
- So far this year, Alberta makes up 81.2 per cent of jobs created across Canada, a major proof point of our economic strength.
- Our workforce continues to grow, and Canadians want to be a part of it, as shown by the highest participation rate in the country.
 - That's why we are creating the most investment-friendly environment in Canada, making sure the job market can keep up with demand.

Key facts:

- From October 2022 to July 2026, Alberta has increased employment by 12.22 per cent, which is the highest in Canada.
 - Throughout the same time, employment across Canada increased 7.93 per cent.
- Alberta makes up 81.2 per cent of year-to-date employment growth in 2026, representing nearly 91,000 new jobs since July 2025.

Alberta is increasing Residential Access Modification Program (RAMP) grants so more low-income Albertans with mobility challenges can afford the home modifications they need to live safely and independently.

Key messages:

- Alberta's government is increasing RAMP grants to help more Albertans with mobility challenges afford the accessibility modifications they need at home.
- We're increasing support to better reflect the rising cost of accessibility renovations and make these important modifications more affordable.
- RAMP helps Albertans stay safe and independent at home, while also giving families more flexibility by supporting modifications to a caregiver's home.
- Our government is focused on practical supports that make everyday life easier and help Albertans with mobility challenges remain independent in their homes and communities.

Key facts:

- RAMP grants have increased from a maximum of \$7,500 to \$12,000 per person each benefit year and from \$15,000 to \$24,000 per person over a 10-year period.
 - Alberta is directing \$24 million provided through the Canada-Alberta Aging with Dignity agreement to support the increased grants.
- RAMP provides grants for permanent accessibility modifications that help eligible Albertans enter, move around and live more independently in their homes.

- Eligible Albertans can receive funding for accessibility modifications to their own home or to a caregiver's home.
- RAMP eligibility is based on household income and property value.

The Northern and Regional Economic Development program is open for applications until Nov. 19, 2026.

Key Messages:

- Our government is committed to economic growth in every corner of Alberta.
- Each community is unique with opportunities to grow the economy, attract investment, and create jobs.
- To support northern and regional economies, the Northern and Regional Economic Development program provides grants of between \$10,000 and \$300,000 for projects up to three years in duration.
 - The program supports Alberta municipalities, non-profit organizations and Indigenous communities with funding that helps support and retain businesses, increase investment attraction, develop key sectors of the local economy and build capacity for economic growth.
 - Since launching in 2022, the NRED program has invested nearly \$29 million in 291 projects led by businesses, municipalities, organizations and industries to drive innovation and growth.
- Alberta's government is establishing the partnerships and making the investments we need to remain the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

Background:

- The NRED program focuses on supporting projects led by municipalities, not-for-profit organizations with an economic development mandate and Indigenous communities in Alberta that support economic development in one or more of the following priority areas:

- Increase investment readiness and regional attractiveness for private investment.
- Support planning and feasibility studies that lead to economic development enabling investments that boost regional growth.
- Support local and regional business and industry, including retention and expansion.
- Budget 2026 invests \$3 million in the Northern and Regional Economic Development program.
- The program provides up to 50 per cent of total eligible project costs. Projects led by Indigenous communities can receive up to 75 per cent of total eligible project costs.
- Eligible projects receive grants between \$10,000 to \$300,000.
- More information on eligibility and past recipients of the NRED program grants are listed on our website: <https://www.alberta.ca/northern-and-regional-economic-development-program>

Alberta's \$9-million additional investment in rural primary care is delivering results, helping clinics recruit providers and expand local services.

Key messages:

- Our government continues to implement initiatives that enhance primary health care across Alberta.
- We are helping rural clinics grow their teams, increase capacity, and serve more patients.
- This \$9 million additional investment in rural primary care is delivering results by putting more health professionals in rural communities and improving access to local care.
- Our government will continue working with rural communities to build a stronger, more sustainable primary health care system for Albertans.

Key facts:

- The Rural Team Recruitment Grant program is providing nearly \$8 million to help 52 rural and remote clinics expand care teams, filling 105 new health care positions and improving patient access.
 - This investment is making real difference in communities:
 - The Barrhead Family Clinic increased the number of patients served by nearly 30 per cent after recruiting patient care coordinators.
 - The Crowsnest Medical Clinic hired a social worker through this program that has supported 98 patients with psychosocial care, advocacy and system navigation.
- An additional \$1 million was awarded to seven communities through the Municipality Supported Clinics Grant.
 - Funding was provided to Picture Butte, Bruderheim, Bow Island and Lac La Biche County, as well as clinics in Bashaw, Delburne and Consort.

The Alberta and Canada governments have made strategic changes to the AgriStability program to help agricultural producers managing business risks from wet conditions this season.

Key Messages:

- Our government recognized the extreme moisture conditions affecting many producers.
 - Record levels of moisture in the province have left some producers unable to assess their crops or maintain regular operations.
- This is why we requested that the federal government grant a participation extension for the AgriStability program until October 1, which has been granted.
 - The new deadline will give producers who have been affected by extreme weather and other unforeseen challenges time to review and manage business risks.

- In addition to the extension, the interim payment rate has been increased from 50 per cent to 75 per cent.
- Extreme weather and other unforeseen challenges can make it difficult for producers to predict the risks their operation will face from season to season.
- We are committed to advocating for producers to make sure they have access to tools and programs that are timely, reactive and help them manage business risk in times of stress and uncertainty.

Key Facts:

- AgriStability protects Canadian producers against large declines in farming income for reasons such as production loss, increased costs and market conditions. It's one of the Business Risk Management programs under the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP).
- AgriStability provides support when a producer's income margin falls below 70 per cent of their historical average, covering 80 cents for every dollar of additional decline, up to a maximum payment of \$3 million.
 - Factors such as reduced income, increased expenses or reduced inventory are used to determine a potential benefit.
- A 20 per cent reduction (penalty) applies to any AgriStability benefit for producers who enrol during the late participation period.

Alberta is strengthening private property rights for farmers by removing unnecessary restrictions on how they manage water on their own land.

Key Messages:

- Alberta's government is cutting red tape and strengthening property rights by making it easier for farmers to manage water and wetlands on their farmland.
- Farmers will be able to carry out routine agricultural activities involving non-permanent wetlands on their farmland without requiring government approval.

- Farmers will also be able to manage excess subsurface water and improve growing conditions through a new, clear code of practice for tile drainage.
 - This will replace a lengthy Water Act approval process.
- Together, these reforms mean fewer unnecessary approvals, lower costs, and less time waiting for government decisions.

Key Facts:

- The new exemptions will apply to specified agricultural activities on private cropland, including cultivating, direct seeding, spraying, surface water draining or ditching, and infilling involving ephemeral water bodies and temporary and seasonal wetlands.
- Water managed under the agricultural wetland exemptions must remain on site and must not adversely affect neighbouring properties or infrastructure.
- Amendments to the Water (Ministerial) Regulation and Alberta Wetland Policy are expected to take effect this fall.
- A new tile drainage Code of Practice is expected to be completed in early 2027 following targeted stakeholder engagement.
- Tile drainage projects will require the consent of potentially affected downstream landowners.

Alberta is backing rural innovators as they develop the next generation of made-in-Alberta technology and cut emissions.

Key Messages:

- Alberta's government is investing roughly \$20 million to help rural companies bring innovative new technologies from the lab to the marketplace.
- The funding will support four technology projects in carbon capture, hydrogen-powered transportation, energy infrastructure, and land reclamation, helping Alberta businesses stay competitive and grow.

- By helping innovators move technologies from pilot projects to commercialization, Alberta's government is attracting investment, creating jobs and cutting emissions at the same time.

Key Facts:

- The funding will come from the Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction (TIER) fund, delivered by Emissions Reduction Alberta.
- Projects include:
 - Carbon capture technology that could store up to 500,000 tonnes of emissions annually.
 - A hydrogen transportation hub to help reduce emissions from heavy-duty vehicles.
 - New pipeline technology to increase efficiency.
 - Soil treatment technology to make land reclamation faster and at a lower cost.
- The four projects are estimated to reduce approximately 1.4 million tonnes of emissions by 2030 and create more than 600 jobs.
 - A complete project list is available on Emissions Reduction Alberta's website here: [Emissions Reduction Alberta Funding Programs](#)

The \$320 Million investment to redevelop Chinook Regional Hospital's Cardiac Catheterization Lab and expand the ICU and CCU is moving to the design phase this month.

Key messages:

- Residents in Southern Alberta depend on Chinook Regional Hospital every day for the lifesaving care they need every day.
- Through this \$320 Million investment Chinook Regional Hospital will redevelop their cardiac catheterization lab and developing shelled space to more than double the intensive care unit (ICU) and cardiac care unit (CCU).

- This will increase the capacity for cardiac services and expand the number of beds spaces in the ICU from 16 to 26 beds spaces and in the CCU from 4 to 28 beds spaces, for a new total of 54 bed spaces once complete.
- This project is moving from the planning phase into the design phase this month, taking this project one important step closer to expanding care to residents in Southern Alberta, providing additional advanced cardiac care services closer to home.

Key facts:

- Budget 2026 approved \$44.3 million over three years to complete design and begin construction on the Chinook Regional Hospital cardiac care projects.
- Alberta Infrastructure has allocated \$320 million for the cardiac catheterization lab and ICU/cardiac care unit expansion at the Chinook Regional Hospital, supporting almost 1800 jobs.
- The Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation has raised more than \$30 million to support cardiac care in southern Alberta.
- Design work is starting September 2026 and anticipated to finish September 2027.
- Construction is anticipated to begin in October 2027, with completion targeted for the end of 2031.

Alberta's government is kicking off the school year with an announcement on Sept. 1 highlighting the government's investments in education.

Key Messages:

General

- This school year, students and families can look forward to more teachers, more in-class supports and more public classroom space.
- We are providing a record \$10.8 billion in education funding for this school year a seven per cent increase over last year.

- A new \$200-million Class Size Reduction Grant will help school authorities hire more than 1,400 additional staff in K–9 classrooms.
- Up to 699 in-class complexity teams — made up of teachers and educational assistants — are being deployed to support students with academic, behavioural and language needs.
- We have helped hire 2127 net new teachers of teachers and 1044 of net new EAs for this school year.
- Albertans are invited to visit alberta.ca/BackToMore to learn more about what's new this school year.

Schools Now

- Through the \$8.6 billion Schools Now program, Alberta is building and modernizing schools to create more than 200,000 student spaces by 2031–32.
- 17 school projects have been completed since Schools Now launched in September 2024, creating almost 12,000 new and renovated student spaces.
 - Two gym projects have also been completed
 - As of right now there are 156 active public school projects underway across Alberta.
- Accelerated approvals are helping many school projects open a full school year sooner. 74 projects have already been accelerated – with more to come.
- We are also investing \$200 million in modular classrooms, delivering approximately 5,900 classroom spaces where they're needed most.

Key Facts:

- Mandatory literacy and numeracy screening is expanding from K–3 to include grades 4 and 5, helping identify more students who need support earlier.
- A \$25 million Mental Health and Well-being Fund is supporting student well-being in schools across Alberta.
- New curriculum in grades 4–6, with piloting in Grades 7–9 continues to strengthen learning outcomes.

- Alberta is investing \$4 million in dual credit programs this year and expanding collegiate school opportunities to support career-ready learning.
- Albertans are invited to visit alberta.ca/BackToMore to learn more about what's new this school year.

Alberta is implementing Canada's first watercraft dip tank to stop the spread of aquatic invasive species.

Key Messages:

- Alberta is launching Canada's first watercraft dip tank at the Dunmore inspection station to stop the spread of aquatic invasive species.
- Work is also underway on a first-of-its-kind mobile dip tank that will use hot water to treat watercraft and trailers and be deployed at high-priority locations.
- The dip tank is part of Alberta's comprehensive strategy to prevent aquatic invasive species from entering the province. Alongside two new conservation K-9s, a record 12 watercraft inspection stations and some of the highest penalties in North America, Alberta is taking action to protect its waterways, infrastructure, and economy.

Key Facts:

- The dip tank pilot project was recommended by Alberta's Aquatic Invasive Species Task Force in December 2024.
- The dip tank is large enough to submerge trailered watercraft to circulate hot water around the boat's hull and through intakes and ballast tanks.
- Budget 2026 invested more than \$10 million to prevent aquatic invasive species from entering Alberta.
 - This includes operating expenses of \$5.4 million for the AIS Program, including:
 - 12 Watercraft Inspection Stations, up from 11 in 2025: \$4.6 million

- Two decontamination stations in Lethbridge and Edmonton: \$275,000
 - Three Conservation K-9 teams: \$525,000
- Alberta waters remain free of invasive mussels.
 - So far in 2026, Alberta has intercepted eight watercraft carrying invasive mussels.
 - In 2025, 21,995 boats were inspected, and 13 watercraft carrying invasive mussels were detected in Alberta.
 - Contaminated watercraft all entered from the eastern provinces in Canada, or the United States.
- The prototype mobile dip tank is being developed with the Okanagan Basin Water Board, based on an original concept from UBC's School of Engineering, and is expected to be operational by summer 2027.

The 2026-27 Q1 fiscal update forecasts a \$2 billion surplus and with 2025-26 year-end results expected to land in surplus as well, Alberta's government is on track to deliver its sixth consecutive surplus budget.

"Alberta has been given an opportunity, and Alberta's government will not waste it. Alberta's path forward will be built on our commitment to protect the services Albertans count on, keep spending under control, and manage taxpayer dollars with the discipline this moment calls for — so Alberta remains strong not just today, but for generations to come."

Jason Nixon, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance

Key Messages:

- Alberta's 2026-27 Q1 fiscal update brings good news for Albertans and the economy with our government on track to reach a \$2 billion surplus this year.
 - With 2025 year-end results also projected to land in surplus, we expect to deliver five consecutive surpluses, with a sixth in sight for this year.

- Under our conservative government, in just one quarter we made an impressive \$11.4 billion improvement to Alberta's fiscal position from Budget 2026.
 - The shift is primarily driven by non-renewable resource revenue, with global conflicts pushing oil prices higher.
- While oil price volatility and trade uncertainty continues, Alberta is well-positioned to weather challenges with strong investment activity and a growing GDP at nearly double the national average.
- Alberta has been given an opportunity, and our government will not waste it.
 - Alberta's path forward will continue to be built on our government's commitment to protect essential services, control spending, and responsible management of taxpayer dollars, keeping Alberta strong for generations to come.
- While many forecasters, including the Bank of Canada, expect Canadian growth to moderate from last year, Alberta is expected to outperform the national economy again this year.

Key Facts:

- Alberta projects a \$2 billion surplus, compared to the Budget 2026 \$9.4 billion deficit forecast.
- Total revenue is forecast at \$86.3 billion, up \$11.7 billion from budget.
 - This is primarily due to an increase of \$9.7 billion in non-renewable resource revenue, to a forecast of \$23 billion, approaching the 2022-23 peak of \$25.2 billion.
- The forecast for the price of West Texas Intermediate (WTI) has been revised to \$73.50 per barrel, an increase of \$13.00 per barrel from the Budget 2026 forecast of \$60.50.

Alberta Municipalities Sept. 2026 - Jenny Jones

1. Property Taxes & Municipal Finance

The issue: Municipalities are facing growing financial pressure from inflation, population growth, infrastructure needs, and decisions by higher orders of government.

- Provincial funding to municipalities has declined significantly over the past 15 years—approximately **half of what it was 15 years ago**.
- The Province has increased provincial property taxes by **\$1 billion over three years**, including increases of approximately **12% in 2025 and 15% in 2026**.
- Municipalities are increasingly forced to balance infrastructure needs and service delivery against affordability for residents and businesses.
- Property taxes can create immediate cash-flow pressures, particularly for businesses and residents on fixed incomes.
- ABmunis' **Property Taxes Reimagined** initiative is examining Alberta's long-term fiscal framework and how municipal services and infrastructure should be funded.

ABmunis position:

Alberta needs a long-term conversation about sustainable fiscal planning, and **municipal leaders must be part of finding the solution**.

2. Infrastructure & Growth

- Alberta is leading Canada in housing starts.
- Municipalities play a critical role in providing the roads, water, wastewater and other infrastructure required for growth.
- **Off-site levies help ensure growth pays for growth** and remain an important municipal financing tool.
- ABmunis is developing an **off-site levy framework with Urban Systems**, expected by October 2026.
- ABmunis is also exploring alternative financing tools, including infrastructure banks, municipal bonds and potential changes to municipal debt limits.
- Federal infrastructure funding needs to be **flexible, predictable and responsive to Alberta's unique municipal needs**.

Key message:

Municipalities need **support—not unnecessary strings attached—to build the infrastructure needed for housing and growth**.

3. FCSS & Preventative Services

- Provincial FCSS funding has not kept pace with **population growth and inflation** over the past 11 years.
- ABmunis is advocating for provincial funding to increase to approximately **\$162 million**, implemented through a phased approach.
- Municipalities have significantly increased their own investment in FCSS and community support programs.
- In 2024, municipalities invested approximately **\$245 million** in FCSS and broader community support programs.
- Prevention reduces pressure on more expensive crisis services such as **policing, emergency services and health care**.

Key message:

Investing in prevention is fiscally responsible. Strong communities help prevent people from reaching crisis in the first place.

4. Municipal Policing Costs

- A new provincial Police Funding Model came into effect in 2026.
- Some municipalities have received initial estimates showing policing costs increasing **120%–320% over five years**.
- Municipalities support paying their fair share for policing but believe in **“say with pay.”**
- Municipalities paying for policing should have meaningful input into local policing priorities.
- ABmunis is advocating for a funding model that considers **demand for services, ability to pay, accountability and local priorities**.
- ABmunis continues to seek greater clarity around the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service, including service levels, contracting costs and funding.

Key message:

Municipalities should not be expected to pay more without having a meaningful voice in how policing is delivered.

5. GST on Municipal Franchise Fees

- Municipalities charge electricity franchise fees as a **cost-recovery mechanism** for utility companies using municipal rights-of-way.
 - The federal government currently applies GST to these franchise fees.
 - This effectively creates a **tax on a municipal cost-recovery charge**.
 - Ultimately, the cost is borne by residents and businesses.
 - ABmunis is advocating for the **elimination of GST on municipal electricity franchise fees**.
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6. Affordable Housing

- Alberta continues to lead Canada in housing starts.
- Municipalities are working to manage development costs and approval processes while supporting housing growth.
- Municipalities need infrastructure funding that recognizes Alberta's approach to growth and development.
- Off-site levies are an important mechanism for ensuring infrastructure costs associated with growth are appropriately shared.

Key message:

Housing affordability requires **all orders of government working together**, respecting municipal autonomy and supporting communities without unnecessary conditions.

7. Fire & Emergency Services

Municipalities are facing increasing costs for:

- Fire apparatus and equipment
- Training and emergency response
- Disaster preparedness
- Increasingly complex emergency demands

ABmunis is advocating for:

- Renewed federal investment in municipal fire services.
 - Reinstatement of a modernized **Joint Emergency Preparedness Program (JEPP)**.
 - Recognition of municipal fire departments as critical emergency-management infrastructure.
 - Practical Canadian fire-service standards that recognize municipal realities.
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8. Water, Environment & Asset Management

- Infrastructure investment remains a major concern as municipalities manage aging systems and population growth.
 - ABmunis continues to support municipalities through **asset-management resources and tools**.
 - A new Municipal Water Conservation Guide provides practical resources for municipalities working on water conservation.
 - Infrastructure pressures reinforce the need for sustainable long-term municipal funding.
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9. Health, Social Well-Being & Housing

ABmunis continues to advocate on:

- Preventative community services
- Affordable housing and homelessness
- Rural health-care access
- Municipal involvement in health and social well-being

Recent work includes collaboration with organizations and governments on housing needs assessments, rural health policy, community prevention and municipal roles in health care.

The Bigger Picture

What Towns Need

Predictable Funding

Municipalities need sustainable, long-term funding tools rather than relying increasingly on property taxes.

Infrastructure Investment

Growth requires roads, water, wastewater, emergency services and community infrastructure.

Municipal Autonomy

Local governments understand their communities best and need flexibility to determine local priorities.

A Strong Voice

Municipalities need meaningful input when provincial and federal decisions affect local services and budgets.

Collaboration

The strongest outcomes happen when municipal, provincial and federal governments work together rather than downloading costs or imposing one-size-fits-all solutions.

Alberta SouthWest Regional Alliance
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
 Wednesday, August 5, 2026, REO Hall, Fort Macleod



Board Representatives

Brad Schlossberger, Claresholm
 Barbara Burnett, Cowley
 Cam Francis, Cardston County
 John Van Driesten, MD Willow Creek
 Shauna Strong, Nanton
 Rick Lemire, MD Pincher Creek
 Mike Hegedus, Hill Spring
 Shane Ford, Glenwood
 Pat Rypien, Crowsnest Pass
 Barbara Clay, Waterton
 Dale Gugala, Stavely

Resource Staff, Partners, Guests

Marie Everts, JETI
 Brian Nelson, Avail CPA
 Sean Miles, AlbertaSW
 Bev Thornton, AlbertaSW

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| 1 | Call to Order /Welcome | Vice-Chair, Brad Schossberger called the meeting to order. |
| 2 | Approval of Agenda | Moved by Rick Lemire THAT the agenda be approved as presented.
Carried. [2026-08-1038] |
| 3 | Approval of Minutes | Moved by Cam Francis THAT the Minutes of May 5, 2026, be approved as presented.
Carried. [2026-08-1039] |
| 4 | Approval of Cheque Register | Moved by John Van Driesten THAT cheques #3677 to #3718 be approved as presented.
Carried. [2026-08-1040] |
| 5 | Audit Report 2025-2026 | Brian Nelson, Avail CPA, presented the Financial Audit for 2025-2026.
Moved by Dale Gugala THAT the Financial Audit be approved as presented.
Carried. [2026-08-1041] |
| 6 | Membership 2026 and Regional Business License 2026 and 2027 | July 16, 2026 the Executive reviewed budget and operations for 2026-2027 and presents to the Board the following :
THAT membership fees be \$1.25 per capita for 2026;
THAT municipalities retain \$20 of each 2026 Regional Business License fee; and
THAT Regional Business License fee be increased to \$100 for 2027.
Discussion:
Board consensus that this is reasonable and necessary.
This will be presented as formal motion at the September Board meeting. |
| 7 | Museums Collaboration | AlbertaSW sponsored an on-line guided discussion for the Museum professionals in the region (one-hour, once a week for 7 weeks). This led to excellent information-sharing, connections and relationships, ongoing collaboration, project development and grant application. |
| 8 | Strategic Planning Ideas | Board discussion served to share some models, reports, and recommended formats for defining plans, priorities and possibilities. |

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| 9 | Executive Meeting Report | Sean Miles presented a summary of ideas discussed at the Executive Meeting held July 16, 2026, including a proposed Growth Plan and Next Steps. Sean will share the report and video to help Board members report to Councils. |
| 10 | Investment Director Report | Accepted as information. |
| 11 | Executive Director Report | Accepted as information. |
| 12 | Round Table | Accepted as information. |
| 13 | Upcoming Board Meetings | ➤ Wednesday, September 2, 2026 – Fort Macleod
➤ Wednesday, October 7, 2026 – TBD
➤ Wednesday November 4, 2026 - TBD
➤ Wednesday December 2, 2026 – TBD-Organizational Meeting |
| 14 | Adjourn | Moved by Rick Lemire THAT the meeting be adjourned.
Carried. [2026-08-1042] |

Approved September 2, 2026

Executive Director Report August 2026

MEETINGS and PRESENTATIONS

Aug 5: Board Meeting, Fort Macleod

Aug 10: Meeting with Executive Director, Heritage Acres, phone

Aug 10: Meeting with Look Ahead Consulting, Teams

Aug 11: Planning meeting with Director Investment Development, Zoom

Aug 13: PrairiesCan Exchange, Lethbridge

Aug 13: Meeting with PrairiesCan senior staff re: funding ideas, Teams

Aug 26: Planning meeting with Director Investment Development, Zoom

Aug 26: Funding program development meeting with PrairiesCan, Teams

Aug 27: update meeting with REDS, Teams

Aug 27: IEDC-AEDO Review Board Meeting, Zoom

Aug 27: Business Engagement Framework Planning Meeting-AlbertaSW and CFABSW, Zoom [regrets]

PROJECT MANAGEMENT and REPORTING

- NRED survey-follow-up input re: “unintended results”
- Details in answer to auditor questions for Avail year-end audit 2025-2026
- Signatures on final approved financial reports
- Submit all files and documentation to IEDC for re-accreditation review
- Letter of support for CFABSW “Rural AI Accelerator Program – Work Smarter, Grow Stronger” proposal
- RBL updates, website inquiries
- Share RBL policies, procedures, and brochure with SouthGrow, at their request
- Grant application planning and consultation with funding agencies
- REDA Managers updates

INVESTMENT ATTRACTION and REGIONAL PROMOTION

- News articles, LinkedIn posts re: airports MOU increased regional profile
- Media requests for interviews: CTV News, Bridge City News, etc.
- Inquiry from local service provider re: platform to enhance business license listings

- Requests for Crown maps and other print materials
- Information-gathering re: business investor/sponsor programs
- Weekly meetings with Investment Director; planning with Community Futures and other partners
- Continued update of media contacts
- A statement posted by Chief Knowlton, Piikani Nation, brought attention to the need to protect historic graves as plans go forward for twinning Highway 3. Ground-penetrating radar surveys are being conducted to ensure that no graves are disturbed or affected and asks citizens to please share knowledge to help inform this process.

Investment Director Report August 2026

- Multiple Prairies Can meetings/consultations
- SouthGrow meeting/info sharing re: business licenses and China delegation
- Claresholm and MD Greenhouse profile
- Podcast #2-Mayor Pat Rypien
- Community Futures meetings
- Media interviews (4)
- Twin Rivers Economic Development Committee inquiries/ideas
- Prairies Can network session
- Waterton meetings
- Travel Alberta meetings
- Fort Macleod airport plan meetings
- Resilience Task Force meetings
- Waterton gateway planning
- Business Roundup planning and coordination
- Refresh planning
- Grant planning

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Regional Economic Development Alliance (REDA) Update

❖ Regional Business License Program 2027



This program serves over 300 businesses in the region, and it was formally approved at the September 2 Board meeting that the fee will be increased slightly from \$80 to \$100 for 2027. Thank you, again, to municipal staff who are the key to success. This unique initiative helps businesses operate easily within our partner communities, and, in turn, generates some financial support for regional projects. A winning arrangement for all!

❖ Alberta SouthWest Membership update

The Board of AlbertaSW has formally approved the increase from \$1.00 to \$1.25 per capita membership for 2026. The region benefits from strong commitment of partner municipalities, businesses, and local, provincial, and federal organizations and agencies. We are truly “helping each other succeed”!

❖ Creating the Future... AlbertaSW Growth Plan and Next Steps

Director of Investment Development outlined a “Growth Plan” that summarized Board discussion to...

- Re-confirm AlbertaSW focus and greatest value in current environment
- Re-confirm community opportunities and greatest needs
- Determine best measures of progress and performance.
- Support clarity, structure, strategy, and informed decisions for the future of Alberta SouthWest



AlbertaSW Board will be requesting thoughtful input from councils and administration regarding key opportunities and challenges. This input is essential for informed decision-making.

Sean Miles has prepared a *Growth Profile* for each municipality to support input to *Survey Questions*, which will be sent to each CAO and Board representative for the municipalities to consider. Stand by for all that!

❖ Business Round Up - first session!



AlbertaSW and Community Futures will be inviting businesses to come together and identify key issues and opportunities and also meet the amazing team of local, provincial, and federal economic development professionals, and community leaders who offer programs and resources. Tentative date October 22, 2026, in Fort Macleod. More details closer to the date!

❖ Statement and update posted by Chief Troy Knowlton, Piikani Nation

Thursday, August 20, 2026

“I want to provide an update regarding the proposed twinning of Highway 3.

This is an exciting project that will benefit us all. However, we want to ensure this project is done in a way that respects our land, history and ancestors.

The current twinning plan remains in draft form. There is some possibility that the proposed route may pass by areas that could contain historic graves.

In keeping with our responsibility to protect and honour our ancestors, we are undertaking ground-penetrating radar surveys to ensure that no graves are disturbed or affected by this project.

[Anyone who has] knowledge of historic grave sites in or near the proposed Highway 3 corridor, especially near the West Hill, please contact either Mandy or Ula at the Piikani Lands Department as soon as possible at 403.965.3807. Your knowledge is important and will help guide our work.”



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September 10, 2026

Dear FCSS Programs and Municipal Leaders,

As municipalities prepare for the annual Alberta Municipalities Convention, I am writing to update you on Resolution E1: *Investing in Prevention – Strengthening FCSS and Community Well-Being*, brought forward by the City of Red Deer and [found on page 52 of the Resolution Book](#).

FCSSAA supports the intent of the resolution and shares concerns about the increasingly complex social needs communities across Alberta face. Municipalities are seeing growing pressures that require additional resources and supports, particularly in the space between preventive services and crisis or acute intervention.

Our concern is ensuring that the response to these pressures does not blur the distinction between FCSS's legislated prevention mandate and services that fall outside it.

These are both important needs, but they require distinct approaches. FCSS requires increased, sustainable provincial funding that reflects population growth and inflation so that programs can continue to deliver effective preventive services. At the same time, communities need additional, net-new investment to address needs beyond prevention. Addressing one should not come at the expense of the other.

Over the past several weeks, FCSSAA has been engaged in discussions with the City of Red Deer and Alberta Municipalities regarding these concerns. Most recently, representatives met to discuss how the resolution could be amended to better reflect this distinction while preserving its underlying intent.

As a result of those discussions, I intend to propose the following amendment during the resolutions session at Convention:

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta for:

- **long-term, sustainable, needs-based, net-new funding for community-based early intervention and practical supports that address gaps between preventative services and crisis or acute services, without reallocating or reducing existing funding for preventative programs and services; and**
- **a coordinated, cross-ministry approach to the funding and delivery of these services that responds to local needs and improves access to appropriate supports in communities across Alberta.**



The inclusion of “net-new” funding and the explicit protection of existing preventive funding are particularly important. We want to ensure that efforts to address gaps elsewhere in the continuum of community supports do not result in existing FCSS funding being reallocated or reduced.

This amendment allows us to support advocacy for resources communities clearly need while protecting the integrity and purpose of FCSS and continuing our advocacy for sustainable FCSS funding.

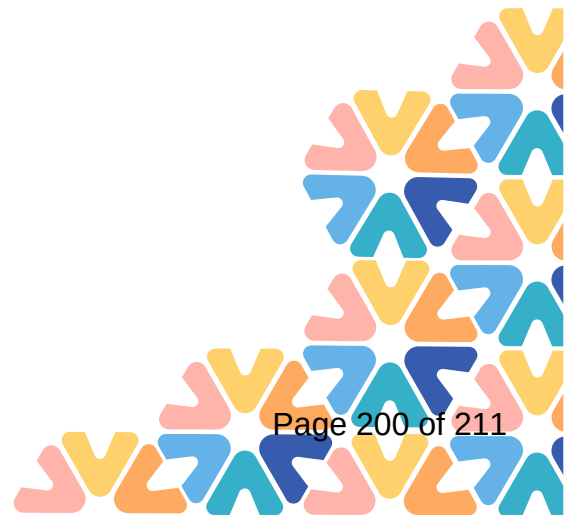
We encourage FCSS programs to share this information with their municipal elected officials ahead of Convention so they understand the intent of the proposed amendment and the important distinction it seeks to protect. We also encourage municipal leaders attending Convention to support this amendment during the resolutions session.

FCSSAA remains committed to working collaboratively with municipalities, Alberta Municipalities and the Government of Alberta to strengthen prevention through FCSS while also addressing the broader gaps in supports that communities are experiencing across the province.

Sincerely,



Kayla Blanchette
President
Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WILLOW CREEK NO. 26

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

PROPOSED BYLAW NO. 2040

1:00 p.m., October 14, 2026

Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 Council Chambers

PURSUANT to sections 216.4, 606, and 692 of the Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta, Chapter M-26, 2000, as amended, the Council of the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 in the Province of Alberta hereby gives notice of its intention to consider Bylaw No. 2040, being an amendment to the existing municipal Land Use Bylaw No. 2025.

The purpose of the bylaw is to improve the useability and effectiveness of the land use bylaw by correcting errors, aligning references, adding and amending definitions, adjusting land use allocations, updating standards for dugouts, amending the standards for residential buildings in the flood plain, allowing for private riding arenas and other housekeeping matters, through a single omnibus amendment AND to redesignate lands as follows:

1. Lot 1, Plan 881 0162 within W½ Section 5, Township 8, Range 25, W4M; from Rural Commercial (RC) to Rural General (RG);
2. Sections 5, 7, 8, 17, 18, 19 & 20, Township 9, Range 27, W4M and portions of S½ Section 6, Township 9, Range 27, W4M; from Public Service (PS) to Rural General (RG);
3. Sections 1, 2, 11 & 12, Township 9, Range 28, W4M; from Public Service (PS) to Rural General (RG);
4. Portions of NW¼ 28, NE½ 29, SE¼ 32, SW¼ 33, Township 13, Range 28, W4M; from and to Rural General (RG) from and to Open Space & Public Recreation (OPR).

AND WHEREAS a more detailed scope of changes is provided in a summary document available by request.

THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE THAT a public hearing to contemplate the proposed Bylaw No. 2040 will be held in the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 Council Chambers at **1:00 p.m. on the 14th day of October 2026**. A copy of the proposed bylaw may be inspected at the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 office during normal business hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT anyone wishing to participate in the hearing virtually and/or to make an in-person presentation regarding the proposed Bylaw should notify the Chief Administrative Officer no later than **4:00 p.m. on October 12, 2026**. The Council may hear from persons who did not indicate in writing to the Municipal Administrator their intention to make a submission.

DATED at the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 in the Province of Alberta this **9th day of September 2026**.

*Derrick Krizsan, Chief Administrative Officer
Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26
Box 550
273129 Secondary Highway 529 West
Claresholm, Alberta T0L 0T0*

Bylaw No. 2040 – MD of Willow Creek Omnibus LUB Amendment

Summary of Changes

(Not including minor administrative and typographical type edits)

1. Admin, Section 19/54 – Minimum Distance Separation (MDS)

- a. Clarify the scope of the reciprocal MDS (does not apply to dwellings on same parcel of land or dwellings owned by the confined feeding operation owner)

2. Admin, Section 34 – Conceptual Schemes / Concept Plans

- a. Remove references to “conceptual scheme” and “design scheme” in favour of “concept plan” throughout the Land Use Bylaw (LUB)

3. Admin, Section 50 – Surveyor’s Sketch

- a. Clarify when a surveyor’s sketch is required for a subdivision application (when buildings exist on the subject lands unless not necessary in the opinion of the Subdivision Authority)

4. Admin, Section 67 – Administrative Definitions

- a. Revision to and addition of definitions

5. Schedule 1, Section 6 (Land Use Summary Table)

- a. Add “Second Dwelling” to Hamlet Residential (HR) along with development standards for second dwellings and additional dwellings units in Schedule 6
- b. Remove “Grain Handling Facility” from Hamlet Business (HB) and Rural Industrial (RI) – captured in other definition “Feed or Grain Mill – Class B”
- c. Add “Riding Arena, Private” as a Permitted Use (RG) and Discretionary Use (HR)
- d. Change “Automotive Repair, Paint Shop and Sales” from a Permitted Use to a Discretionary Use - (DO) in Rural Commercial (RC)
- e. Add “Auto Wreckage & Salvage Yard” in RI as a Discretionary Use
- f. Add “Shipping Container, Temporary” to all applicable land use districts as Permitted Use
- g. Add “Dugout” as a Permitted Use (RC & RI) and a Discretionary Use (other applicable districts)

6. Schedule 2 – Number of Parcels in a Quarter Section

- a. Rural General - Clarify that the number of parcels limitation of 2 still applies where a parcel has been redesignated
- b. Willow Creek Business Park - Clarify the intent statement regarding servicing

7. Schedule 4, Section 5 – Reconstruction of Buildings in Flood Plain

- a. Provide for the opportunity to allow for the reconstruction of existing residential buildings on lands subject to flooding provided that engineered flood proofing is in place

8. Schedule 5, Section 10 – Setbacks to Easements

- a. Remove setback requirement from easements

9. Schedule 6, Section 15 – Dugout DP Exemptions

- a. Revise size requirements for dugout development permit exemptions (1st dugout on a parcel exempt where under 7,500 cubic meters) to align with changes to Water Act

10. Schedule 6, Section 34 – Multigenerational Housing

- a. Remove reference to “multigenerational housing” and add standards for “Additional Dwelling Units” (applicable to HR District)

11. Schedule 7 – Use Definitions

- a. Update and revise definitions as necessary to align bylaw terminology and references
- b. Clarify that shipping containers alone do not constitute “Outdoor Storage” but can be considered as an aspect of an “Outdoor Storage” or “Commercial Storage” use
- c. Add definition for “Riding Arena, Private”

12. Schedule 1 - Mapping (zoning) Changes

- a. Lot 1, Plan 881 0162 - rezone back to RG from RC
- b. Lot 13, Block 1, Plan 061 2281 - not included in Section 18 of the "Use Specific DC" District in Granum but shown on the map as such
- c. Division 2 - Maps 6, 7 & 8 – rezone multiple sections back to RG from PS (not including Head Smashed-In site as represented in provincial historic resource boundary from 1979)
- d. Division 4 - Map 3 – minor adjustments to align Open Space & Public Recreation (OPR) zoning with the extent of the Willow Creek Park (removal of OPR zoning on adjacent private lands and expansion of OPR zoning to coincide with park boundary)

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SERVICE ROAD

SW5 8-25-4

**LAND USE DISTRICT REDESIGNATION
SCHEDULE 'B' - See Division 1, Map 4**

Bylaw #: 2040

Date: _____



FROM: Rural Commercial - (RC)

TO: Rural General - (RG)

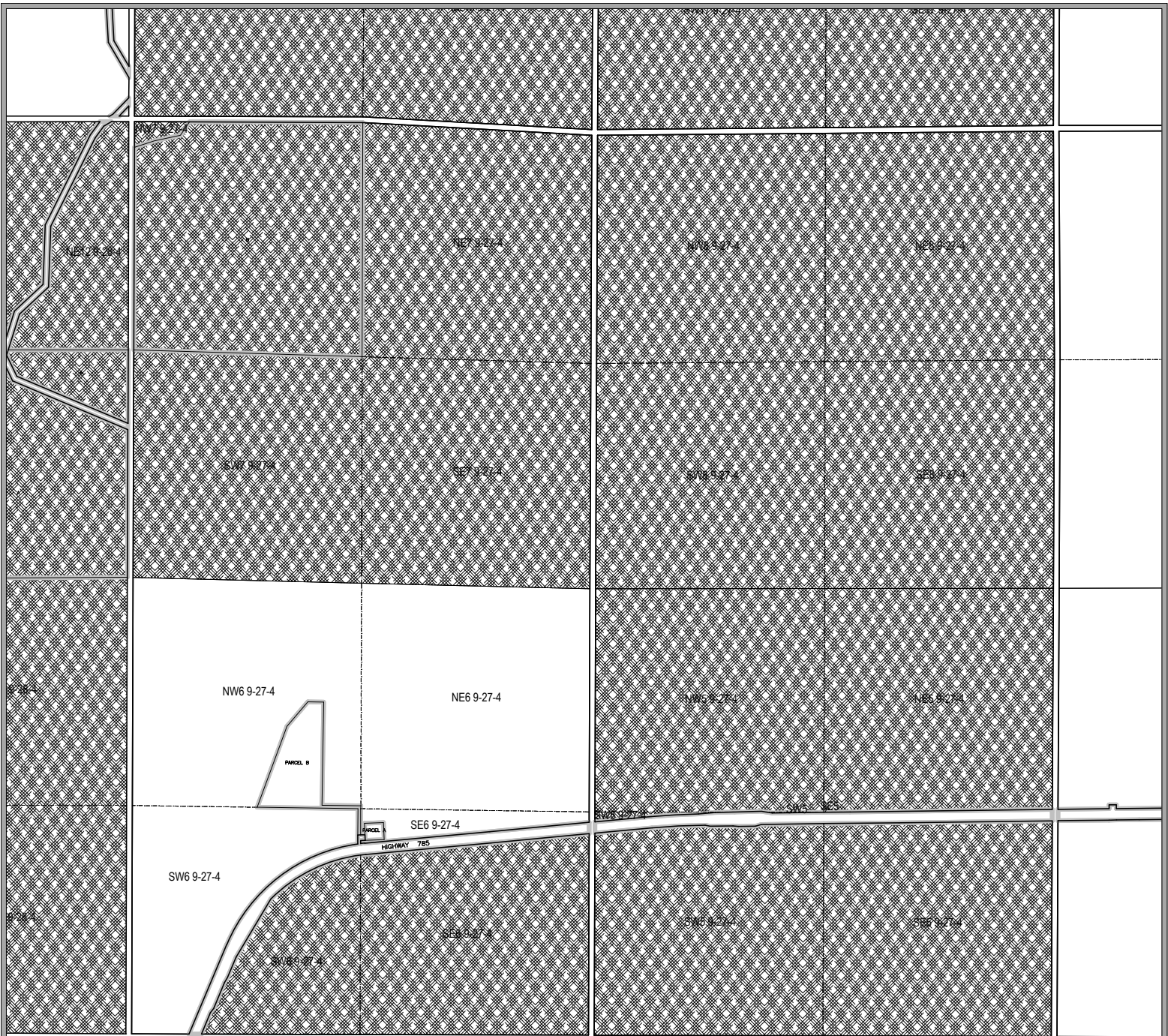
BLOCK 1, PLAN 8810162 WITHIN

W 1/2 SEC 5, TWP 8, RGE 25, W 4 M

MUNICIPALITY: MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WILLOW CREEK NO. 26

DATE: AUGUST 4, 2026





LAND USE DISTRICT REDESIGNATION SCHEDULE 'B' - See Division 2, Map 8



FROM: Public Service - (PS)

TO: Rural General - (RG)

ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 7 & 8 AND PORTIONS OF S1/2

SECTION 6, TWP 9, RGE 27 W 4 M

MUNICIPALITY: MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WILLOW CREEK NO. 26

DATE: AUGUST 4, 2026

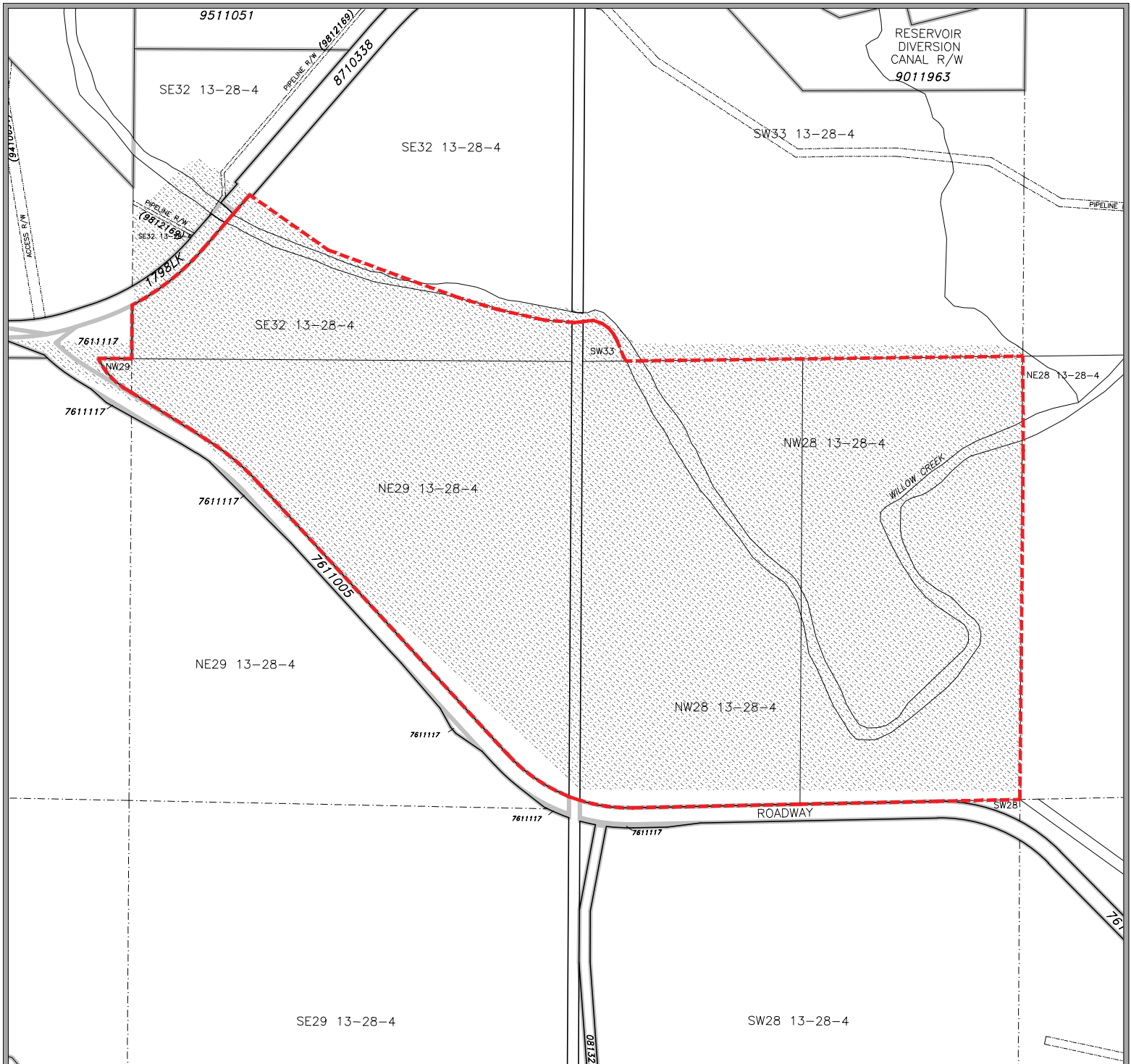
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**LAND USE DISTRICT REDESIGNATION
SCHEDULE 'B' - See Division 4, Map 3**

Bylaw #: 2040
Date: _____



Existing Open Space and Public Recreation - (OPR)



Proposed Open Space and Public Recreation - (OPR)

PORTIONS OF NW 1/4 SEC 28, NE 1/2 SEC 29, SE 1/4 SEC 32
AND SW 1/4 SEC 33, TWP 13, RGE 28, W 4 M
MUNICIPALITY: MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WILLOW CREEK NO. 26
DATE: AUGUST 4, 2026



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Minutes

Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 4, 2026 – 7:00 pm

Conference Room, ORRSC Administration Building or ZOOM Virtual Meeting

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Kevyn Stevenson (In Person) ... Village of Arrowwood
 Jane Jensen (In Person) Village of Barnwell
 Kyle Prince (Absent)..... Village of Barons
 Sydney Miller (Virtual) Town of Bassano
 Jackie Johnson (In Person) City of Brooks
 Randy Bullock (In Person) Cardston County
 Kent Wynder (In Person)..... Town of Cardston
 Sue Brown (In Person)..... Village of Carmangay
 Judy Perkin (Absent) Village of Champion
 Brad Schlossberger (In Person) . Town of Claresholm
 Colin Slingsby (In Person) Town of Coalhurst
 Tanya Smith (Absent)..... Village of Coutts
 Katerina Bunyan (Virtual) Village of Cowley
 Doreen Johnson (Absent) Mun. Crowsnest Pass
 Dean Ward (In Person) Mun. Crowsnest Pass
 Stephen Dortch (In Person) Village of Duchess
 Shawn Patience (In Person)..... Town of Fort Macleod
 Diane Connor (Absent) County of Forty Mile
 Mark Peterson (In Person) Village of Glenwood
 Suzanne French (Virtual)..... Village of Hill Spring
 Mark Sayers (In Person) Lethbridge County

Brad Koch (Absent) Village of Lomond
 Tavis Tidmarsh (Absent) Town of Magrath
 Don Cody (Absent) Town of Milk River
 Rory Lahd (Absent) Village of Milo
 Shauna Strong (In Person) Town of Nanton
 Bill Oudshoorn (In Person) Town of Nobleford
 Teresa Feist (Virtual) Town of Picture Butte
 Jim Welsch (In Person) M.D. of Pincher Creek
 Gordon McMullen (Absent) ... Town Pincher Creek
 Ronald Davis (Absent) M.D. of Ranchland
 Neil Sieben (In Person) Town of Raymond
 Don Norby (In Person) Town of Stavely
 Scott Barton (Absent) Village of Stirling
 David Torrie (Absent) MD of Taber
 Russell Norris (Absent) Town of Vauxhall
 Christopher Northcott (In Person) . Vulcan County
 Richard DeBolt (In Person) Town of Vulcan
 David Cody (In Person) County of Warner
 Ian Glendinning (In Person) Village of Warner
 Evan Berger (In Person)..... M.D. Willow Creek

STAFF:

Bonnie Brunner Senior Planner
 Mason Burtnik Assistant Planner
 Ryan Dyck Senior Planner
 Mathew Hall Assistant Planner
 Steve Harty Senior Planner
 Harsimran Kaur Assistant Planner
 Raeanne Keer Executive Assistant
 Maxwell Kelly Planner

Skylar Nikkel Assistant Planner
 Kaylee Sailer GIS/CAD Technologist
 Stephanie Sayer Accounting Clerk
 Kattie Schlamp Planner
 Rachel Schortinghuis Assistant Planner
 Gavin Scott Senior Planner
 Tracy Thomas Chief Administrative Officer

GUESTS:

Dan Bolsters Auditor, KMPG LLP
 Roger Houghton Cardston County

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Christopher Northcott called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by: Richard DeBolt, Town of Vulcan

THAT the Board of Directors adopts the Agenda for June 4, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of March 5, 2026

Moved by: Jane Jensen, Village of Barnwell

THAT the Board of Directors approves the meeting minutes of June 4, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. PRESENTATION

4.1 2025 Auditor's Report and Financial Statements

Dan Bosters, Auditor from KMPG LLP, presented the 2025 Auditor's Report and Financial Statements to the Board.

The Board inquired what the capital acquisition was noted on page 18 of the Agenda Package, page 5 of the report.

D. Bosters stated that he believed it was mostly the purchase of a new fleet vehicle.



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Moved by: Colin Slingsby, Town of Coalhurst

THAT the Board of Directors accepts the Auditor's Report and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2025 prepared by KMPG LLP.

CARRIED

4.2 Summer 2026 ORRSC Periodical: Urban Forests

Ryan Dyck, Senior Planner, and Mason Burtnik, Assistant Planner, presented on the upcoming periodical on Urban Forests.

The Board made no motion as this was presented for information purposes only.

5. ACTION ITEMS

5.1 2025 Annual Report

CAO Thomas presented the 2025 Annual Report to the Board

Moved by: Sue Brown, Village of Carmangay

THAT the Board of Directors approves the 2025 Oldman River Regional Services Commission Annual Report, as presented.

CARRIED

5.2 Modernization and Approval of Member Service Agreement

CAO Thomas presented the updated Member Service Agreement to the Board.

CAO Thomas stated that included in her Letter of Expectations from the Executive Committee was the directive to complete a comprehensive review and modernization of the ORRSC Member Service Agreement as a part of the organization's broader commitment to governance modernization, operational consistency, service clarity, and enhance member value.

The Board inquired if there was any large overall changes to the service that they should be aware of.

CAO Thomas stated that the focus of the update was to modernize the language and ensure it accurately reflected the existing relationship and services with our Members.

Moved by: Jackie Johnson, City of Brooks

THAT the Board of Directors approves the revised 2026 ORRSC Member Service Agreement, as presented; and

Authorizes Administration to execute the agreement with the Member municipalities.

CARRIED

5.3 ORRSC Visual Identity Refresh

CAO Thomas presented the three finalist logo concepts selected through an internal staff design competition and outlined the evaluation criteria.

CAO Thomas asked the Board Members to select a preferred concept and provided voting instructions. The survey results were displayed upon completion, showing concept # 2 was selected.

Moved by: Sue Brown, Village of Carmangay

THAT the Board of Directors approves logo design concept #2 to serve as the organization's new official logo; and,

Authorizes Administration to proceed with any final refinements and implementation of the selected design across organizational materials.

CARRIED

6. ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

6.1 Executive Committee Report

Chair Northcott presented the Executive Committee Report to the Board, and highlighted the various discussions by the Committee from their meetings.

The Board made no motion as this was presented for information purposes only.

6.2 Chief Administrative Officer Report

Tracy Thomas, CAO, presented the Chief Administrative Officer to the Board, highlighting her recent activities, meetings, and discussions.

The Board made no motion as this was presented for information purposes only.

6.3 Subdivision Activity Report

CAO Thomas presented the Subdivision Activity Report, as of April 30, 2026 to the Board.

The Board made no motion as this was presented for information purposes only.

6.4 Financial Report

CAO Thomas presented the Financial Report, as of April 30, 2026, to the Board.

Moved by: Jim Welsch, Municipal District of Pincher Creek

THAT the Board approves the Financial Report, as of April 30, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED

6. CLOSED SESSION

There were no closed session items for the Board's consideration.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Mark Sayers, Lethbridge County

THAT the Board hereby closes the meeting.

CARRIED AT 7:43 PM



Christopher Northcott, Chair



Tracy Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer